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Young adults in new plan for Duluth

By Gina Wilken
Statesman Staff Reporter

The Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation has introduced a plan to attract and keep youth in the area after a recent study showed a significant decrease of young adults in the region.

The foundation's recent study, shows that the lack of jobs is what drives young adults out of the region. This is one of the main reasons they decided to do give this presentation.

"The amount of 24-30 year olds in the community are significantly less than other areas in Minnesota," said Holly Sampson, president of the Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation.

The Community Foundation is guided by a board of 14 volunteer civic leaders. Sampson has been actively working to find solutions to the issues concerning the perceptions of young adults in the region.

"We are working on the emerging

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New doctoral degree at UMD

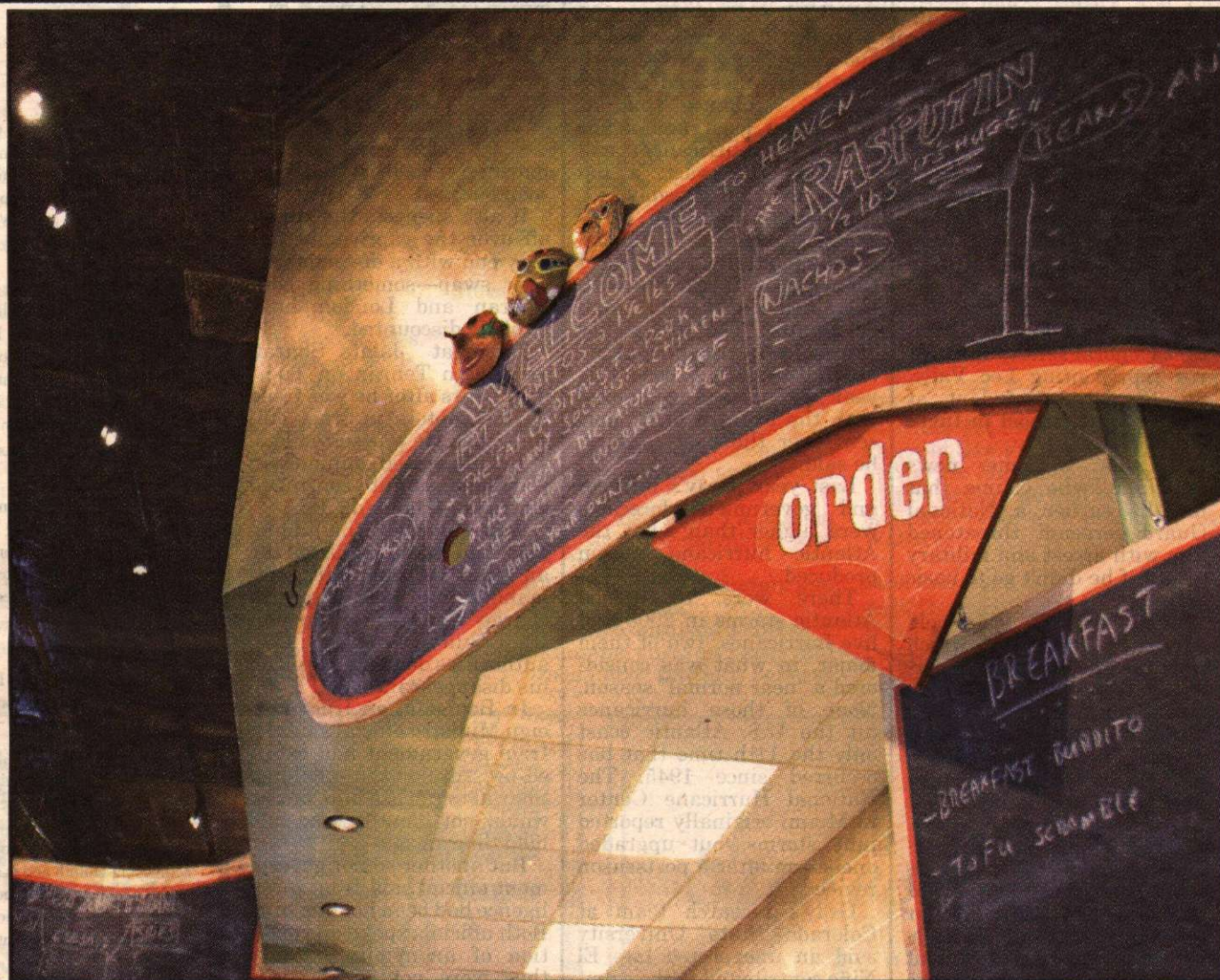
By Mariana Hingel
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For the first time, UMD is offering a doctoral program. The Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) with a major in Teaching and Learning is a degree for the development of K-12 teachers, community college/university faculty, coaches, social workers and many other professions, according to UMD press release.

The program will consist of a minimum of 78 credits and the core requirements will be offered once every two years beginning in Fall 2007 and will lead to an open cohort of students progressing through the curriculum, according to the education department.

The goals of the program are to help students acquire greater content knowledge in teaching and

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The main menu station at Burrito Union where customers can either order a pre-made burrito or create their own.

Burrito Union ready to open

By Joel Runck
Statesman Staff Reporter

The Burrito Union opens its doors today, but not before some previous setbacks with the City of Duluth that prohibited the establishment from serving alcohol because it was within 400 feet of Chester Park.

The Duluth City Council unanimously voted on March 26 to remove Sec. 102 of the city charter, a 1912 provision that forbids the sale of alcohol within 400 feet of park. The charter, essentially Duluth's constitution can only be amended by a unanimous council vote or public referendum.

Councilor Garry Krause has been the only councilor in opposition to the ordinance change, but he finally voted "yes" at the last council meeting to change the charter.

Duluth Mayor Herb Bergson said that he regrets seeing businesses trying to work around the alcohol provision and that this ordinance change will greatly benefit businesses and the Duluth community.

"You talk about getting punished for trying to invest a few dollars and save an old building that was not occupied in part," Bergson said. "And it (the Burrito Union) will pay its share of taxes and create jobs, so it was a good deal all around, and I don't know why Councilor Krause had such an issue with it."

However, Krause said he was acting in the interest of families with children who live near parks.

"My goal is to protect these youth programs near neighborhoods where kids go unattended, walk from their house over to



Custom beer taps made with hand-blown glass.

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News Now

STUDENT REFUSES MILITARY TRAINING

SOUTH ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — A high school senior who faced down military recruiters on his front lawn and refused to go to basic training after earlier signing up for the Minnesota State Army National Guard has now been discharged.

"You are discharged from the Army National Guard and as a reserve of the Army," said a memo from Minnesota's Office of Adjutant General sent to the lawyer representing Leo Valle, an 18-year-old student at Simley High School in Inver Grove Heights.

It was welcome news for Valle, who claims that months earlier a National Guard sergeant threatened him with arrest and military prison if he didn't go to basic training.

Valle was 17 years old when he enlisted, which requires the consent of parents. His attorney, Allen Gibas, argued that Valle's parents, who are legal immigrants from El Salvador, didn't speak or read English and didn't understand what they were signing.

Gibas said Valle's parents decided to withdraw their consent because their son was not "suitable for the Army." Gibas said Valle signed up after a recruitment pitch that promised a chance to serve the community and earn lucrative education benefits, but didn't mention weapons training.

Gibas said Valle was not sophisticated enough to understand that signing up for the military would likely mean training in guns.

Valle said recruiters told him he wouldn't likely have to go to Iraq until 2009, but said he learned after enlisting that he could have been sent there immediately after basic training.

"I would tell other youth my age not to join," Valle said. "They'll phone you saying one thing, and the next thing you know, you'll be going to Iraq."

Sam Diener, a founder of the GI Rights Hotline, an information source for soldiers and enlistees, said the decision to discharge Valle wasn't that unusual.

ACTIVE HURRICANE SEASON PREDICTED

DENVER (AP) — The 2007 Atlantic hurricane season should be "very active," with nine hurricanes and a good chance that at least one major hurricane will hit the U.S. coast, a top researcher said Tuesday.

Forecaster William Gray said he expects 17 named storms in all this year, five of them major hurricanes with sustained winds of 111 mph or greater. The probability of a major hurricane making landfall on the U.S. coast this year: 74 percent, compared with the average of 52 percent over the past century, he said.

Last year, Gray's forecast and government forecasts were higher than what the Atlantic hurricane season produced.

There were 10 named Atlantic storms in 2006 and five hurricanes, two of them major, in what was considered a "near normal" season. None of those hurricanes hit the U.S. Atlantic coast only the 11th time that has occurred since 1945. The National Hurricane Center in Miami originally reported nine storms, but upgraded one storm after a postseason review.

Gray's research team at Colorado State University said an unexpected late El Niño contributed to the calmer season last year. El Niño a warming in the Pacific Ocean has far-reaching effects that include changing wind patterns in the eastern Atlantic, which can disrupt the formation of hurricanes there.

A weak to moderate El Niño occurred in December and January but dissipated rapidly, said Phil Klotzbach, a member of Gray's team.

"Conditions this year are likely to be more conducive to hurricanes," Klotzbach said Tuesday. In the absence of El Niño, "winds aren't tearing the storm systems apart."

The team's forecasts are based on global oceanic and atmospheric conditions.

Klotzbach advised coastal residents along the Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico to have hurricane plans and preparedness kits in place.

IRANIAN DIPLOMAT RELEASED BY IRAQ

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — The sudden release of an Iranian diplomat missing for two months in Iraq raised new hope Tuesday that 15 British sailors and marines seized by Iran may soon be freed.

It also suggests the standoff over the captive Britons may end with a de facto prisoner swap—something both Tehran and London have publicly discounted.

Diplomat Jalal Sharafi arrived in Tehran on Tuesday, hours after he was freed by his captors in Iraq, officials said. He was seized Feb. 4 by uniformed gunmen in Karradah, a Shiite-controlled district of Baghdad.

Iran alleged the diplomat had been abducted by an Iraqi military unit commanded by U.S. forces a charge repeated by several Iraqi Shiite lawmakers. U.S. authorities denied any role in his disappearance.

In Baghdad, an Iraqi Foreign Ministry official said the Iraqi government had exerted pressure on those holding Sharafi to release him, but he would not identify who had held Sharafi.

But another senior government official said Iraqi intelligence had been holding him. Both officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not supposed to release the information.

Sharafi was a second secretary at the Iranian Embassy involved in plans to open a branch of the Iranian national bank. U.S. officials allege that Iran provides money and weapons to Iraqi Shiite militias.

Sharafi was abducted a month after the U.S. military arrested five other Iranians in northern Iraq. The U.S. described one of those captives as a senior officer of the Quds Force, an elite unit of Iran's Revolutionary Guards.

The Iraqi Foreign Ministry official said his government also was working "intensively" for the release of the five other Iranians to "help in the release of the British sailors and marines."

Neither Iran nor Iraq nor Britain has said explicitly that a prisoner swap was in the works.

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Professor Steve Chilton remembered

By Sarah Doty
and Melissa Schmidt
Statesman Staff Reporters

Dozens of people filled the Griggs Center yesterday afternoon to pay tribute to Steve Chilton a UMD professor who passed away from a pulmonary embolism last week.

"Steve was somebody that could see ordinary things in extraordinary ways," said Dr. Steve Ropp, a professor at the University of Wyoming and a close friend and previous colleague of Dr. Chilton.

During his time at UMD, Dr. Chilton was an Associate Professor and Assistant Head of the Department of Political Science where he been since 1986.

He was remembered as a very kind and caring person by all who spoke about him during the memorial.

"I really liked him," said Dr. Mary Caprioli, a colleague of Dr. Chilton's in the Political Science department. "He was fun as a colleague. I wish I had known him longer."

Dr. Caprioli also mentioned that he was always willing to act as a mentor to the junior faculty, and others agreed.

"He was the first person to congratulate me on my position (here at UMD)," said Political Science Professor Dr. Mary Currin-Percival. "Really, he was just an exceptional person."

Dr. Currin-Percival was neighbors with Dr. Chilton and spoke about the many times that he would come into her office and ask her about what she was teaching.

This was not unusual for him, because according to multiple speakers during the memorial, he was always interested in learning more.

"He was always a risk taker," said Sarah Lawson, Dr. Chilton's sister when referring to both his life and career choices. "He was always intellectually curious."

He loved playing chess and pool, BMW Motorcycles, singing, Sherlock Holmes, newspaper cartoons, the mountains and teaching, his sister said.

Along with his love of knowledge and political theory, his love of family and students was also very important to him.

"He cared about his students both in class and out of class," said Beth Bartlett, a long-time friend and college. "He always took the time."

This was obvious with many students both past and present sharing their memories of Dr. Chilton.

Sarah Hooper, a junior at UMD

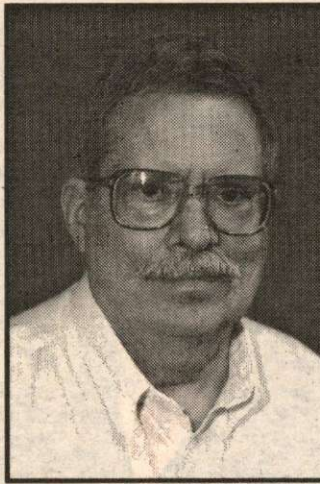


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Steve Chilton

"He was genuinely interested in the students and what we felt," said Matt Wallace, a former student and friend of Dr. Chilton.

Dr. Chilton taught classes in political theory, methodology and comparative government but concentrated most closely on political and critical theory.

Bartlett who also shared a passion of political theory remembered her time with Dr. Chilton.

"We were friends immediately and always were," she said.

Barack Obama once said something about taking the world seriously and not yourself, and Bartlett believes

and President of the Political Science Association, remembered last year when she took the class History of Political Thought II with Dr. Chilton.

"He had just got back from a convention... and brought back T-shirts for everyone," she said.

But the fact that he had brought gifts wasn't the most shocking part. She said that the gifts weren't just random and generic, instead every present meant something.

that described Dr. Chilton well.

"He really tried everyday to work on the principles that he wrote about and thought about, to make our world a better place," Bartlett said.

Dr. Chilton had been writing a book, "Ways of Relating," which addressed moral theory and interpersonal morality.

He also had written other works, and had a great interest in what students and friends thought of his work.

"He did it his way, and he did it well," said Dick Huddles, a friend of Dr. Chilton.

Students who wish to meet with a counselor may call Health Services at ext. 8155. Also, if students would like to meet with other students in the Political Science Department, they may contact the department secretary at ext. 7534 for an appointment.

Donations may be given in Dr. Chilton's name to either Food First: Institute for Food and Development Policy of San Francisco or the Catholic Worker Movement of New York.

"The impact he had on many of us is unknowable and profound," said Wallace.

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UMD student honored for efforts

By Sara Jochems
Statesman Staff Reporter

Derric Johnson recently won MN Student Employee of the Year and could potentially win National Student Employee of the Year for his work at UMD and in the Duluth community.

"I didn't even know that I was nominated," said Johnson. "I just got a congratulatory e-mail saying that I had won MN Student Employee of the Year."

Student Employee of the Year was developed by the National Association of Student Employment Administrators (NASEA).

Johnson's nomination will now be looked on regionally and from there, nationally where it will be announced during Student Appreciation Week at UMD from April 9-13.

If Johnson wins National Student Employee of the Year, he will follow past winners, UMD alumni Justin Hallquist (1999) and Erik Stromstad (2003), according to UMD's online Web site.

The qualifications for being elected as UMD Student Employee of the Year are: reliability, quality of work, initiative, professionalism and uniqueness of contribution, according to the online form.

Johnson's immense work within the university includes working in

the Physics department.

"I am a T.A. for General Physics I and II and Intro to Physics I," said Johnson.

Johnson also spends his time working as a research assistant for Assistant Physics Professor Jay Austin at the Large Lakes Observatory (LLO).

Besides working within the college, Johnson also works with the younger Duluth crowd.

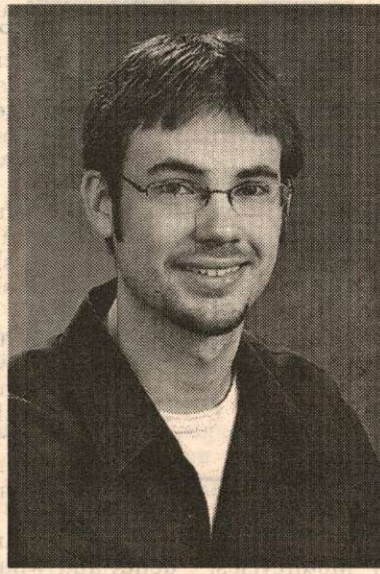
"I student teach science at Duluth East High School

and have even helped out with their theater department," said Johnson.

Johnson's inner-city roots have inspired him to teach science to high school students.

"My family is from North Minneapolis," said Johnson. "I want to teach physics to 11th or 12th-graders."

Johnson said that if Minneapolis was not an option, then Chicago or wherever he was needed would be just fine.



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"If I can't teach 11th and 12th-graders then I would also love to teach 8th and 9th-grade Physical Science," said Johnson.

If Johnson isn't being a TA or teaching physics to Duluth East students, then he is in the Planetarium.

"Derric is one of the four student assistants working at the Planetarium," said Howard Mooers, the department head of Geology and director of the Planetarium. "He is putting shows together, giving the shows or a co-presenter of the show."

Johnson is also behind the scenes working on maintaining the Planetarium.

"I clean lenses and fix audio and video equipment like the VCR and projectors," said Johnson. "After all, the planetarium maintenance man comes once every three years. I've only seen him once."

The Planetarium has shows on a daily basis for public and private viewers.

"Our private shows are for schools, YMCA programs, Girl and Boy Scouts and even patients who suffer from traumatic brain injuries," said Mooers.

Johnson is also a big part of the Planetarium shows that are on Wednesday evenings at seven.

"Derric is somewhere around the Planetarium every first, third, fourth and sometimes when possible, fifth Wednesdays," said Mooers.

Mooers said that Johnson is always involved in the third and fourth Wednesdays because these are the student run shows.

"These are completely run by the assistants. They plan the entire show, but it is always pre-approved by me," said Mooers.


Johnson's interest in astronomy has shown in his contribution at the Planetarium and UMD.

"I have even been allowed to teach three of our only astronomy classes here at UMD," said Johnson.


Johnson will be graduating this May with a major in Physics and a minor in mathematics.

"I will be back next year," said Johnson. "That way I can get my teaching degree, and from there, we shall see."


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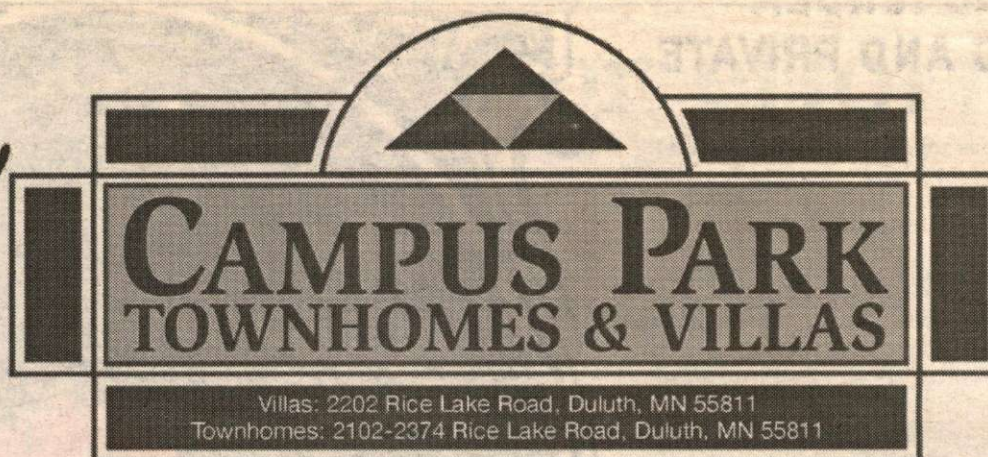
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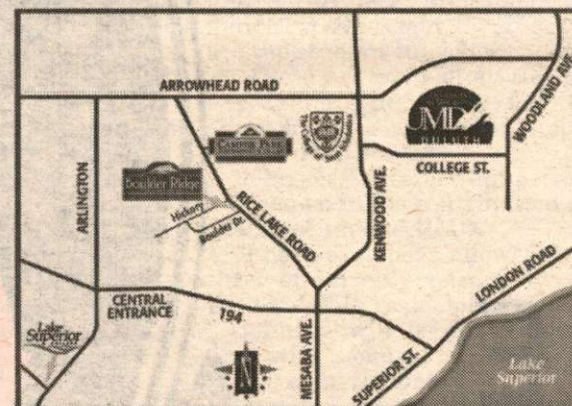


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Campus Camp Wellstone at UMD

By Erik Lund
Statesman Staff Reporter

"We're here to talk to you about a different type of politics," said Adriana Barboza, a trainer for Campus Camp Wellstone, a progressive grassroots political training conference that visited UMD last weekend.

The training organization, which was founded in 2003 in honor of the late Minnesota Senator Paul Wellstone, has hit over half the states in the U.S. and has visited hundreds of universities, said Tony Cuneo, one of the trainers.

Thirty-nine UMD students showed up on Friday and were immediately asked what issues "fired them up in the morning, and what they hoped to get out of the weekend."

Some of the responses by students included anti-racism, trade policy, health-care reform and the war in Iraq.

"I want to turn my anger and passion into action," said Ayida Abate, a women's studies major and member of the campus group Students Promoting Awareness and Tolerance (SPAT).

The group of students was overwhelmingly made up of Minnesota Public Interest Research Group (MPIRG) and SPAT mem-

bers, several of whom helped to bring Camp Wellstone to UMD.

"I want to gain the necessary tools to tear down the apathy wall my friends have," said SPAT member Yia Yang.

The camp was from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, and a schedule of events and lectures, as well as food was provided. Students were broken off into groups at several different times, divided into "Issue" and "Electoral" campaigns.

"If there's anything you should get out of this weekend, it's how to strategically develop a plan," said Cyreena Boston, another trainer.

In one of the first exercises, Cuneo asked students to close their eyes and envision their political happy place.

"I see the economic situation in Duluth being much better. We have universal health care. There's lots of happy people, and lots of buses going all over the place," said Birch Carlson, an MPIRG member.

The first day's discussions focused on developing an effective message as an organizer and political activist and getting the message out. Students were given a fictional case study of a racial diversity bill that needed to be pro-

moted in a rural Wisconsin school.

Throughout the weekend the students did various exercises with the case study, including acting out a 60 second YouTube video, with one group acting out a 20 question session.

Fourteen people showed up Saturday, and with the smaller size, the students were able to interact with one another and share ideas more than previous camps.

"You guys are two steps ahead in working to solve problems on campus," said Boston.

Cuneo asked students to write down three people they considered leaders, and describe what about them made them good leaders and to think about how they can embody those qualities. Cuneo then told the students that whether they thought so or not they were all leaders.

"Normal people wouldn't spend a weekend doing political training," he said. "This is further proof that everyone in here is a leader."

E-mail addresses and phone numbers were exchanged between the

conference attendees and the trainers.

"You are now part of a network of 13,000 people," Boston told the students. "Once people commit to doing this kind of work, they never really stop."

To wrap up the weekend, students were asked to identify activist goals they wanted to reach in the near future.

"I want to build professional relationships with the people in this room," said student David Comer, one of the founding members of SPAT.

Much of the lectures were based off of the book "Politics the Wellstone Way," which students recieved a copy of, as well as a Camp Wellstone t-shirt.

"This weekend kind of taught me that when it comes to the issues, you need to show up or shut up," said senior Olumide Kayode.

Hana Dinku, another member of SPAT said she wished more people had shown up.

"I think anybody could have used the skills we learned," she said.

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Last week deadly for two Minn. students

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — A University of Minnesota student died after slipping from the third floor of a parking ramp on the Minneapolis campus, university police and the student's father said.

Kyle Sharbonno, 19, of Prior Lake, was sitting on a ledge of the Oak Street ramp shortly after 1:30 a.m. Sunday when he slipped and fell, landing on a sidewalk and hitting his head, according to police and the man's father, Randy Sharbonno.

Paramedics brought Sharbonno, who was conscious, to Hennepin County Medical Center, where he died Sunday afternoon, Deputy Chief Steve Johnson said. Investigators were treating it as a "tragic accident," Johnson said, though the death remains under investigation.

Meanwhile, another student, freshman Elomo Lenya, drowned Thursday in a swimming pool at a New Brighton apartment complex. According to the student paper, The Minnesota Daily, Lenya, 20, completed high school in her native Cameroon before moving to Minnesota to attend the university.

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Board of Regents gets new member

First UMD student representative appointed to board

By Melissa Schmidt
Statesman Staff Reporter

On March 8, student Maureen Cisneros was appointed as UMD's first student member to the Board of Regents, the governing body of the University of Minnesota.

The Board of Regents consists of 12 members and meets monthly. One of the regents must be a student, and Cisneros is the first student regent from UMD. Only students from the Twin Cities and Morris campuses have been elected in the past, according to Wy Spano, director of the Master of Advocacy and Political Leadership (MAPL) program.

Cisneros is a member of the MAPL program, which focuses on advocacy and political action, and helped Cisneros to prepare for her position as a regent, said Spano.

It is a weekend program, and like Cisneros, many of the students in the program live in the cities and commute to Duluth each weekend.

"It teaches the students how to be involved in the political system in an ethical and civil way in order to get the world to look like they think it should look," said Spano. "We want them to learn how to change

the world in whatever way they'd like to change it."

Cisneros has an interest in access to the university for low-income and minority students and spent the last six years working at U of M Twin Cities as an advisor and served a position in admissions in order to work on her education policy for equal student experience, she said.

"It was a really good way to do something about the ability of minority and low-income students to go to the university," said Spano.

Cisneros learned about the position on the Board of Regents when her supervisors at the U of M Twin Cities encouraged her to apply, she said.

Cisneros received most of her support from her fellow students in the MAPL program, and since they were also learning about advocacy, they decided to advocate for her, said Spano.

"Ultimately it was the legislature who voted," said Cisneros. "I just kept going and telling them my story and what I was interested in."

Cisneros still isn't entirely sure what her duties are for her six-year

term. There are different committees within the Board of Regents, and many high level decisions from the U of M pass through the board, she said.

"I'll have a much better idea over the next year," said Cisneros.

With a UMD student on board, Duluth's campus will have a strong voice in the U of M system, according to Dr. Linda Krug, dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

"UMD always fairs better when we have representatives on U of M system-wide committees," said Krug. "It's harder for the Twin Cities campus to forget about UMD when there is someone from UMD (on the board)."

When students or faculty put petitions before the board, they will more than likely get Cisneros' support, said Spano.

"There'll be a feeling like she understands us," said Spano. "People probably feel like they've got a friend on the board."

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Zamboni driver

cleared of charges

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — It's not drunken driving in New Jersey if it involves a Zamboni.

A judge ruled the four-ton ice rink-grooming machines aren't motor vehicles because they aren't useable on highways and can't carry passengers.

Zamboni operator John Peragallo had been charged with drunken driving in 2005 after a fellow employee at the Mennen Sports Arena in Morristown told police the machine was speeding and nearly crashed into the boards.

Police said Peragallo's blood alcohol level was 0.12 percent. A level of 0.08 is considered legally drunk in New Jersey.

Peragallo appealed, and Superior Court Judge Joseph Falcone on Monday overturned his license revocation and penalties.

"It's a vindication for my client," Peragallo attorney James Porfido said after the hearing. "It's the right decision."

Morris County Assistant Prosecutor Joseph D'Onofrio said no decision had been made on whether to appeal.

Peragallo, 64, testified at his trial that he did drink beer and vodka, but not until after he had groomed the ice. However, he told police he had a shot of Sambuca with his breakfast coffee and two Valium-pills before work.

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- Become familiar with the UMD Registration web site: <http://www.d.umn.edu/Register/>
- Schedule an appointment with your advisor. Bring with you a tentative schedule and list of questions (degree requirements, elective options, internships, study abroad, etc).

Within the UMD Registration web site the following will be accessible:

- **'Check for Holds'.** How and where to clear any hold will be listed. NOTE: the effective date of the hold. Released holds will appear on your record, but will have a future effective date. Removed holds will no longer appear on your record.
- **'View your APAS Report'.** Review a current copy or your Academic Progress Audit System report (APAS). NOTE: Access the "What-If" option within APAS to explore prospective or alternative majors or minors across campus. Contact your advisor if you have questions.
- **'U of M Class Schedules (online)'.** Review the online UMD Class Schedule for courses offered next term. Create a tentative schedule with alternative options.

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The preferred deadline for Fall 2007 was March 19, 2007.

However, the form will be accepted until the time of the student's registration, but the student must understand that there is a 3 business day turnaround time from the day the form is turned in at the student affairs office until they are able to register. Forms will not be accepted after the student has registered for the semester or after the semester starts.

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- Check the online Class Schedule for a waitlist option and add your name to it. Usually the waitlist is manually sorted based on priority (graduating, declared major, etc). Read below for collegiate specifics on waitlists.
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Collegiate UMD Student Affairs office information:

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CLA (310 KPlz)	First contact the department, then contact the instructor to find out about your options.
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Re-enrolling for Fall 2007?

Contact the appropriate office above.

Summer Registration began March 1, 2007.

Contact the Continuing Education office for more information.

Tsunami devastation

MUNDA, Solomon Islands (AP) — Men perched on rocks peered out to sea through binoculars at a camp near the Solomon Islands town of Munda on Wednesday, watching for another deadly wave.

The camp is one of many that have sprung up in hills behind towns hit by Monday's tsunami and earthquake. With strong aftershocks still jolting the region, the 40 families huddled there were afraid to come down, though some had run out of water.

"There's no water to wash, no water to drink," said Esther Zekele, who fled with her husband and five children to the camp on Monday as the sea surged into Munda, on the western island of Gizo.

On Wednesday, they ventured back for a sack of rice to replace the one they brought with them, now half gone. But when they heard a rumor that another wave was coming, they took to the hills again.

The fears of another tsunami have made it difficult for officials to determine the number of victims and get aid to the homeless. And aftershocks were pushing some survivors even deeper into the hills.

"People are in a panic because of the continuous tremors," said Rex Tara, a disaster management specialist with British-based aid agency Oxfam.

At least 28 people were killed by tsunami and magnitude-8 earthquake and authorities were checking unconfirmed reports of further deaths, including six people buried in a landslide on Simbo, another island in this South Pacific nation.

Authorities have no firm figure for the missing, but Solomon's deputy police commissioner Peter Marshall said aerial surveillance flights in the past two days

had revealed "was no evidence of mass deaths."

Red Cross official Nancy Jolo said her agency had handed out all the emergency supplies it had stored in Gizo, the main town in the disaster zone, and was waiting for new supplies from a New Zealand military transport plane that landed late Tuesday in Munda.

"The priority need right now is for water," Jolo told Australian Broadcasting Corp. radio. "What we are experiencing right now in some of the campsites is children starting to experience diarrhea."

Six doctors and 15 nurses from Honiara were among aid workers who arrived Wednesday at Gizo, where the airport remained closed and the wharf was badly damaged.

Many of the 5,600 left homeless were left scrounging for basic supplies under buildings knocked down by the quake and sludge deposited by the tsunami.

One police patrol boat arrived in Gizo on Tuesday after traveling 10 hours from the capital, Honiara, with tents, tarps, food and water. A second supply boat left Honiara on Wednesday evening, but two others were delayed because provisions could not be found to fill them, chief government spokesman Alfred Maesulia said.

"It's very difficult to get the materials needed because Honiara only has very small shops," he told The Associated Press.

A New Zealand military transport plane unloaded a shipment of tarps, water and rations at Munda.

Many canoes and other boats were sunk or washed away by the tsunami and fuel was contaminated with sea water, adding to the aid delivery woes.

Registration is in full swing

By Kathy Grigg
Statesman Staff Reporter

When registration time comes around, senior Brittney Silewski and sophomore Heather Lundgren, both communication majors, are used to the full classes and long waiting lists.

While they think more open sections would help, they realize there just aren't enough teachers to go around.

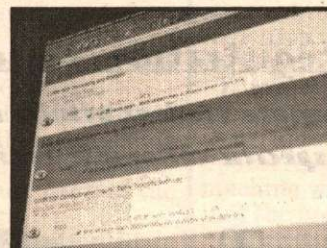
Lundgren said that despite those inconveniences, the department has a lot of positive aspects, too, like passionate instructors and smaller class sizes. She has nothing bad to say about the department itself.

"You might have to be a morning person," Silewski said.

Communications professor Deborah Petersen-Perlman

said a lot of the registration problems in her department could be avoided if students did their homework.

"We get a lot of people who sign up for classes and once they come the first day they



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realize, 'oh, I have to write seven papers,'" Petersen-Perlman said. "Then they drop like flies."

This can be a problem for people trying to complete their degree requirements.

Petersen-Perlman recommends that students try to register immediately after their window opens, but also make sure that it is a class they want to commit to.

"The greatest frustration that our faculty experiences is when students will say, 'I wanted to take your class; I went to register as soon as I was able, and it was already closed,'" she said.

Rebecca Thelen, from the Advisement Coordination Center, said advisors can help students in ways that the online catalogue simply can't.

"It's just generally speaking good to have a little mentoring and guidance above and beyond what you can get online and in the catalogue," Thelen said.

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Abusive teacher

ENID, Okla. (AP) — The school board fired a teacher who was accused of pulling a student around the room by her hair, hitting and slapping students and dragging a student by her feet.

Mary Morgan, a special education teacher at Glenwood Elementary School, was fired Monday.

Administrators also allege Morgan used discriminatory language by calling her students retards.

Enid Public Schools Superintendent Kem Keithly recommended Morgan's dismissal after an investigation revealed alleged physical and mental abuse.

Three paraprofessionals working with Morgan gave statements to school administrators that Morgan was abusive to students.

Andrea Kunkel, a Tulsa attorney at Rosenstein, Fist & Ringold, presented Keithly's case recommending the dismissal of Morgan. She said the paraprofessionals said they saw Morgan mistreat students on a number of occasions.

Domestic dispute deadly at CNN

ATLANTA (AP) — A domestic dispute erupted in gunfire at CNN's headquarters complex Tuesday, killing a woman and critically wounding the ex-boyfriend who pulled a gun on her, authorities said.

The man and woman were arguing near the main entrance of the complex when the man shot her, police officer James Polite said. The armed man was then shot by a CNN security guard.

The woman was pronounced dead on arrival at a hospital, authorities said. The man was in critical condition.

The woman, who checked and stocked honor bars at a hotel attached to CNN Center, was Clara Riddles, 22, of College Park, said Caryn Kboudi, a spokeswoman for the Texas-based Omni Hotel chain.

Polite described the man as the woman's ex-boyfriend. Kboudi said the hotel was not aware of any of the woman's domestic troubles.



AP PHOTO

The victims were seen being carried out of the building on stretchers. The man's face was covered in blood and his shirt was removed.

CNN reported that the offices of its Internet operations, cnn.com, were immediately evacuated. Video footage also showed police pointing guns at a man lying on the ground at the bottom of an escalator inside the building.

An announcement over the building's public-address system said there had been gunfire "with potential casual-

ties." Police cordoned off an area by the escalators near the main entrance, facing Centennial Olympic Park.

The park was the site of a bombing that killed a woman and injured more than 100 people during the 1996 Summer Olympics.

"I heard four or five shots. I really didn't see it. I got out of there quick," said Jas Stanford, 27, who had been helping take down a temporary stage in the park used for college basketball's Final Four festivities.

Besides the Omni Hotel, the CNN complex also includes a large atrium and a food court. It is connected to Philips Arena, the home of the NBA's Atlanta Hawks.

In the food court, Trina Johnson, 44 of Atlanta, was with her daughter on a family outing.

"All of a sudden we heard a big boom. We thought it was an explosion," Johnson said. "We didn't see the gun. Everybody just started running."



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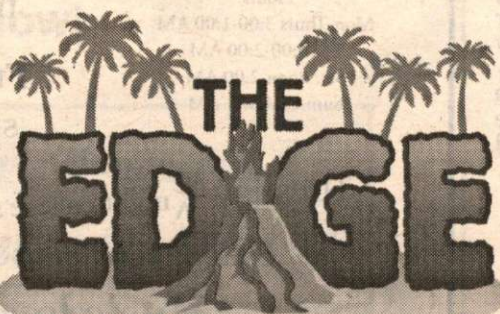
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and changing community needs," Sampson said.

A task force was created after the foundation conducted and reviewed research related to young adults in the region. The Community Foundation task force has worked for a year developing recommendations that would help to alter the community for youth in the Twin Ports.

They revealed their recommendations to the public last Thursday, March 29 along with two original skits performed at the Renegade Comedy Theatre. This is the first of a series of presentations, said Sampson.

The task force realizes that there may be few jobs in certain job categories, but the amount of economic opportunities is beginning to change.

However, Sampson said it isn't just about jobs. Lisa Heyesen, director of Business Retention at the Area Partnership for Economic Expansion and member of the task force, believes the community needs to take young adults seriously.

"We export one of our most valuable resources when those students graduate," Heyesen said.

The Community Foundation believes that the community needs to develop stronger ties between the college students already involved.

"I learned that half of what college students learn in their first year in college will be outdated by their third year of study," Heyesen said.

Julie Munger, community initiatives officer, has been working with the Community Foundation task force members and truthfully loves what she does.

"I really have my dream job," said Munger. "I bought into leaving Duluth after graduation even though I really wanted to stay."

Short-term, Munger hopes to change the perceptions of young adult issues and get people talking.

"I want the young leaders to become reality and feel connected," said Munger.

An estimated 75,000 job opportunities will open up in the region as the baby boomer generation begins to retire, according to the Community Foundation.

"There just isn't going to be enough workers in the region when the baby boomers begin retiring," Munger said.

The largest job issue will be matching individuals with the right jobs and encouraging the youth to get the correct training in job opportunities that will open in the area according to the task force.

"If we get bored, we change jobs about every 18 months," said Heyesen.

She said that about 80 percent of jobs are filled through networking.

The Community Foundations study also concluded that young adults in the region sensed a lack of connection to the community.

"There's a new form of living, the urban lifestyle," said Heyesen.

Surprisingly, the report also found that young adults in the area are heavily involved in community work.

Drew Digby, UMD journalism professor and task force member, helped to compile the 2006 Social Capital Community Benchmark Survey. The survey was compiled by a collaboration of Harvard, the Community Foundation, and UMD.

Some of the key findings of the survey state that young adults vote and volunteer at high levels but still feel disconnected from the rest of the community.

The survey also found youth to have levels of social trust dramatically less than the average of the community. This would mean that they see their neighbors substantially less and have less faith than older residents that they are able to make a difference.

Digby is also the lead academic partner for the Community Foundation.

In the Community Foundation's 2005 Annual Report, Digby said that social capital is the value we create just by hanging out with each other.

The foundation will be holding an annual meeting featuring Bestselling Author Dr. Richard Florida on May 23.

"Many institutions have started the ball, so now we need to keep it rolling," said Heyesen.

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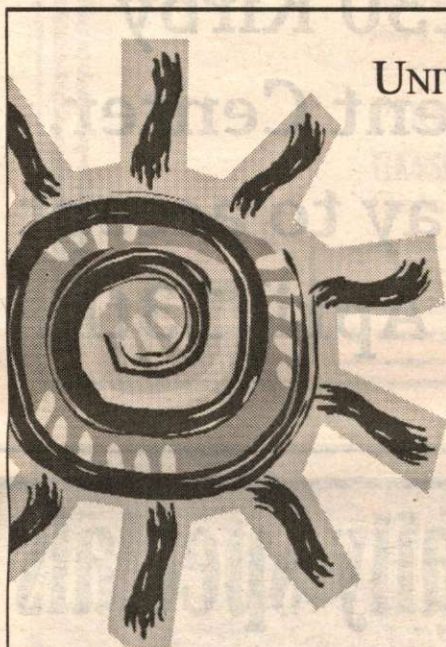
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Krause is proposing an amendment to the city charter that would cut the 400-foot restriction in half, to 200 feet.

At Large Councilor Don Ness, who introduced the motion to repeal the alcohol ordinance said that Krause will not find much support from him or the rest of the council with his proposal.

"It's in my mind inappropriate to regulate private business through the city charter," Ness said. "We have a zoning code, we have business regulations through our city code—that's the appropriate place."

Regardless of the proposal, Fitger's owner Rod Raymond, who also co-owns the Burrito Union, said that a full liquor license has been applied for and despite not being able to serve the full array of Fitger's Brewhouse beer until the license is approved, the Burrito Union has alternatives such as "session beer." This type of brew is 3.2 percent alcohol by weight, and 4.2 percent alcohol by volume, according to Raymond.

In terms of the restaurant itself, the Burrito Union has chosen a theme that incorporates a variety of ideas into its menu and style.

"It's more of a fusion of ideas," said Tim Nelson, Burrito Union co-owner. "Of course, it's based on Mexican wraps, but as you can see by our style, we kind of have this whole Russian thing going on too."

Nelson said he expects the liquor license to be ratified sometime in July and once that is accomplished, Ray-

mond said that he would like to expand the drink menu to include specialty drinks such as margaritas.

In the meantime, Ryan Myers, Burrito Union kitchen manager, said that he is eager to test out his menu that he has been working on for the past six to seven months. Myers denoted that the Burrito Union's menu is based on the same principles as the Brewhouse.

"We wanted to make everything in small batches—the same philosophies that the breweries use with their beer," said Myers. "They make beer in small batches to ensure quality. And that's the whole thing that I wanted to do with the menu."

Both Nelson and Raymond say they are simply glad to be moving forward after the litigation processes and some city officials say that they don't foresee too many problems occurring as a result of the Burrito Union opening up.

"I don't expect there to be big drunken parties at the place," said Bergson. "I think it's going to be people young and old who like Mexican food and want to have a burrito, and maybe they want to wash it down with a beer."

On the other hand, Krause cautions that loosened alcohol restrictions may give way to lewd behavior.

"The City has removed a number of requirements so you can have liquor licenses," he said. "I just hope that someday, some accident or inappropriate activity doesn't happen because of that."

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DOCTORAL

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participation from the UMD faculty, said Strand.

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Arts & Entertainment

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Radio-Profiles, Part 3:

Walt Kramer shares his thoughts on his years at KUMD.

By Barb Olsen
Statesman Guest Contributor

When Walt Kramer walked in the doors of KUMD-FM more than 40 years ago, the radio station was not exactly the broadcasting powerhouse it is today. It was February of 1966 and with only 250 watts to its name, KUMD's signal didn't travel far.

"When I was at KUMD, the station's signal could generally be picked up at my parents' home on College Street in Duluth," Kramer said. "These days, with full FM power, an affiliate in Grand Marais and streaming on the net, programming gets a lot farther than College Street."

Kramer worked at KUMD from those early days of 1966 until the spring of 1969.

"I did most everything from board shifts to managing the station," Kramer explained.

He was initially lured in because working at KUMD was the requirement of a one-credit course known in 1965 as Speech 60A.

"A friend of mine, who worked at a radio station in the Duluth-Superior area was aware of my passion for radio, and dared me to sign up for the course and see what would happen," Kramer said.

What happened is Kramer, who is blind, took on the challenge and turned it into a lifetime career.

"In these days of scanners, scanning software, screen-reading software, Braille embossers and the Internet, it's easy to forget that none of the above was available to me 40 years ago," Kramer said.

Some of the biggest challenges, he said, were figuring out how to identify music, learning to run the control board, avoid distorting the signal by setting volume levels too high, devising schemes for putting news and weather into a



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format I could read on the air and developing a method for "meeting" the network—for putting the network on the air, in other words, at the exact time the specified program was to begin.

It's something Walt Kramer remains proud of to this day.

"I believe that in a real-life way, I made the point that a person who possesses the talent can make it in broadcasting regardless of disabilities," he said.

Kramer was one of the first people KUMD Station Manager Mike Dean met on the job.

"Walt did just about everything, from announcing, to editing tape, to producing news reports," said Dean. "Plus, of course, he managed the station. I thought he was quite an amazing person."

Kramer's experience at KUMD, as he describes it, was "quite literally the springboard to a career that included several years in broadcasting and 25 years in public affairs at Minnesota Power." Kramer retired from Minnesota Power in 2003.

Throughout those years, Kramer carried with him not only the professional tools he acquired at KUMD but also the personal connections and friendships, including friend Bob Holetz, who was News Director at KUMD when the two met in 1966.

"Not long after we met at KUMD," said Kramer. "Bob became News Director at WEBC, where he hired me as a stringer."

His assignment was to provide WEBC with unedited tapes from news conferences held at UMD.

"There were a lot of those back then, news conferences held mostly by anti-Vietnam activists," said Kramer. "Bob and I have kept in touch throughout the past 41 years. Friendships that last that long and remain as comfortable as this one are their own rewards in life."

Today, Walt Kramer said KUMD "fills a vital role as a more community-oriented public radio station."

It's been 40 years since that first time he stepped inside KUMD's studios. Yet, throughout the decades since, the experiences and the friendships have remained an integral part of Walt Kramer's life. And the gifts and lessons Kramer brought to KUMD have remained a part of what KUMD-FM radio is to this day.

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Weekly Five

By John Brosius
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1. "Waiting For My Ruca" by AWOL One, Abstract Rude, Josh Fischel and Transducer
"Look at All the Love We Found: A SublimeTribute" 2005

Doing a cover of a song is one thing, but taking an already great song, doing a 180 and taking it in a totally different direction is another. These L.A.-based musicians took one of Sublime's greatest songs, slapped a porn groove on it and went to town rhyming on top of it.

2. "Drifting" by Andy McKee
"Nocturne" 2001

At the young age of 26, Andy McKee is considered to be one of the finest finger-style guitarists on the scene today. He has been recording since he was 21 and playing guitar since he was 13. "Drifting" is a special track, because when listening to it you would think he had a whole band accompanying him, but you'd be wrong. He is playing the drum, rhythm guitar, lead guitar and bass parts all on one acoustic guitar.

3. "Whiskey and Wine" by Matt Costa
"Songs We Sing" 2005

Sharing a record label with names such as Jack Johnson and Donovan Frankenreiter, Matt Costa is making a big name for himself at a young age. "Whiskey and Wine" is a choppy campfire tune that makes you want to sing along. He is currently on tour with Mason Jennings, who performed on campus just last year.

4. "Heard the World" by O.A.R.
"Stories of a Stranger" 2005

Straight off of O.A.R.'s newest album, "Heard the World" is one of my favorite tracks by them. I already had the utmost respect for them after seeing them open for Dave Matthews Band, but this track made me appreciate their style even more. This song is a definite must-listen.

5. "If You Talk Too Much (My Head Will Explode)" by People in Planes
"As Far As The Eye Can See" 2006

Coming straight from Wales, People in Planes is a ground-breaking band shattering pre-formed conceptions about themselves. The track "If You Talk Too Much (My Head Will Explode)," along with saying something I have wanted to say to many people over the years, reminds me of Radiohead's earlier releases. With its progressive rock-guitar accompaniment, you must hear this song.

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The Tweed Museum of art contains a collection of over 5,000 objects representing a wide time and range of cultures.



Cathy Hesch's iPot captures the art in everyday places.



Virginia Maki's exhibit displays still domestic locations.

Student Exhibit fills Tweed

By Dane Ryan
Statesman Staff Reporter

Annually in the spring, the Tweed Art Museum opens its doors for the Student Exhibition. This show features the best that the Department of Art and Design has to offer in painting, drawing, sculpture, print making, graphic design, photography and mixed media from the previous year.

The exhibition has two main goals, according to Chairwoman and UMD faculty member Wanda Percy.

"First, to give the students an opportunity to express their ideas in a professional venue," said Percy. "Second, to honor students of merit and them."

The exhibition has an opening reception and awards ceremony on April 14 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Art and Design Department Head Virginia Jenkins and Tweed Director Ken Bloom will present exceptional students with over \$25,000 in awards. Also, scholarships will be handed out for the upcoming year. The ceremony is open to the public.

This year also features very distinguished co-jurors David Hodges and Marsha Hystead. David Hodges is

a community member and Exhibitions Coordinator for the Duluth Art Institute. His colleague Marsha Hystead, is the senior vice president and senior creative director for H.T. Klatzky & Associates which is also in Duluth. She has been recognized and awarded on several occasions for her excellent work in advertising.

The exhibition is a big deal for students in the department, but many students also don't realize that the only requirement to be eligible to submit work is if they have taken one class in the department the school year of the show.

"I think this is a good chance for students to see each others' work and compare with their peers," said committee member and senior Meghan Sitek. "It is nice to see other work and find new concepts."

The show runs from April 7 to May 6 on the second floor of the museum. Admission is free and most of the students' work is for sale. The student exhibition is coupled with a faculty exhibition already on display that features the best work from the department staff that will run until May 13.

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Convenient times call for the truth

By Renae Conrad
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Issues surrounding energy conservation are of great urgency in our world today. Concerns about global warming have become a large part of our everyday lives. Many people find themselves asking what can be done to fight global warming at the individual level. Although many solutions arise from this question, one answer is promised to capture the attention of the audience and hopefully fill people with optimism.

The Duluth Environmental Film Festival is a way for students and community members to come together at the individual level and discover through film the importance of finding solutions to environmental problems. The festival is being sponsored by many different local groups, including The Minnesota Environmental Partnership, MPRIG, The Sierra Club and Amazing Grace Bakery.

"These films are contemporary and really enjoyable in their own right," said Jon Beslow, festival correspondent and Serria Club member. "Each is an engaging way to present challenges, and they are enjoyable on many different levels."

All of the films that will be shown are focused on the energy issues in

Minnesota. Groups who are sponsoring the event will also be facilitating conversation with community members before and after the films.

"In poll after poll, an overwhelming majority of Americans have said resoundingly that global warming is real, and it's time for the government to act on it," said Beslow. "The Minnesota legislature has boldly taken the first step with a 25 percent increase for the Renewable Electricity Standard by 2025. This is a great first step, but it's just the beginning."

The purpose of the Film Festival is to share information about the problems and to allow people to come together as a community, share ideas and learn from one another.

A common feeling that people might have concerning issues of environmental activism is defeat; is it possible for an individual to make a difference?

"There are personal choices we can make such as changing our light bulbs to compact fluorescent, purchasing renewable electricity and buying fuel efficient vehicles," said Beslow. "But that is just a piece of the puzzle. The other piece is strong policy that promotes global warming solutions. Our senators and representatives have a great bill in front of them right now that does just that:

The Global Warming Mitigation Act (GWMA) of 2007."

Although energy companies are meeting energy demands, they could be more conscientious towards caring for the environment. The GWMA was put into place with hopes of reducing harmful CO2 emissions by 80 percent. Research has proved that if this goal is reached within 43 years, there will be a large chance of avoiding the most severe consequences of global warming, according to Beslow.

"The GWMA is a reasonable and rational approach that Minnesota can take to become a leader on this issue. Future generations will certainly ask us, 'What did you do to stop global warming?'" said Beslow. "The GWMA gives us the chance to say, 'Everything we could. We started in 2007 and it worked.'"

Festival sponsors hope that by coming together as a community, at events such as The Environmental Film Festival, people will begin to feel optimistic about solving the energy problems.

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- ♦ The first showing will be at 5 p.m. on April 7 at Marshall School.
- ♦ The second showing will be at 7 p.m. on April 10 at Amazing Grace Café in Canal Park.
- ♦ The third showing will be on April 12 in Chem. 200 at 7 p.m.

Admission to all films is free. For more information about The Environmental Film Festival contact Jon Beslow at jonbeslow@yahoo.com.

Bluegrass, great time

By Amber Vesel
Statesman Staff Reporter

Every Wednesday, Sir Benedict's Tavern on the Lake hosts a bluegrass jam session. The session invites anyone and everyone who can play a fiddle, a banjo, up right bass, a mandolin or any other instrument traditionally used in bluegrass music to join in and play; singers are welcome as well.

"I choose to work this night because it's so chill, and it's such a sweet night," said Jason Sellnow, political science and philosophy major at UMD and manager at Sir Ben's.

The bluegrass music offers a great chance to relax with friends and have a conversation while listening to the past funky-folk of Appalachia. While the music is decidedly not mainstream, it's something different than the norm and is an OK form of entertainment for a week night.

"This is such relaxing music," said senior and fellow listener Dustin Wilman. "It's like there's an old country road running straight through Sir Ben's."

Wilman also chimed that the type of music reminded him a lot of The Soggy Bottom Boys from the movie "Oh Brother, Where Art Thou?"

The jam session, which usually begins around 7 p.m. or 8 p.m. each Wednesday, usually runs until about 11:30 p.m. However, in the summer, the hours get later; the crowds get bigger and the session often moves outdoors.

"This is just fun stuff... pro musicians come and go, and I come to learn from them," said jam session player Tim Burnes of Hermantown.

He also mentioned that one doesn't actually have to know the song to play it. Often, if you know how to play a little bit of bluegrass, it's fairly easy to catch onto other unknown songs.

Another player, Ted Williams of Twig said that this kind of music has been "played on back porches in Appalachia forever."

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Horoscopes

By Renae Conrad
Statesman Staff Reporter

Aries:

Mar 21- Apr 19

It is extremely important to not be naive or someone will quickly take you for granted. Being responsible for your own feelings without being overly aggressive or passive is typically a challenge for you. Stay content without being excessively phony and you will find composure.

Taurus:

Apr 20- May 20

"Secrets, secrets are no fun;" it's important to be open in all aspects of your life. Hiding something from a friend this week will only come back to haunt you.

Gemini:

May 21- June 20:

Stop using procrastination as a scapegoat; deadlines continue to approach and will soon hit you like a ton of bricks. Organize your thoughts and the work load will come naturally.

Cancer:

Jun 21- Jul 22

Drama typically does not surround you, but you have placed yourself in a current situation that won't take care of itself. You don't have the option of being a spectator this time, Cancer; it's time to take action on the situation at hand.

Leo:

Jul 23- Aug 22

When you are in a good mood, it is contagious to everyone around you. Spreading your cheer will benefit many people this week and those who need it most will be uber appreciative.

Virgo:

Aug 23- Sept 22

As the weekend approaches, a positive attitude will be helpful in dealing with unexpected situations. Anticipate an enjoyable time and it just might happen!

Libra:

Sept 23 - Oct 22

Libra, you are an amazingly strong person. Although relationships have been hard lately, remember to keep your hopes up. The answer you've been searching for is slowing approaching. This week, others may try to take advantage of your current vulnerability, but don't let them get you down.

Scorpio:

Oct 23- Nov 21

You have a friend that cares a great deal about you. Although you value their friendship a great deal, it might be beneficial to look past the exterior of the relationship. Hidden feelings of affection might be dwelling just below the surface; keep an open mind to this idea and take it slow. The outcome will be either incredibly rewarding or regretfully disappointing.

Sagittarius:

Nov 22- Dec 21

When talking to someone you care deeply about today, it will be imperative to not hold anything back. Keeping your true feelings inside will be transparent and offensive to those who care about you most.

Capricorn:

Dec 22- Jan 19

Communication can be very emotional right now. Try to stay level-headed while making decisions that will affect your future. Choose words carefully and avoid things that may alter your decision making process.

Aquarius:

Jan 20- Feb 18

As your body sits at the desk, your head floats in the clouds. There is no cure for day dreaming, but a healthy lifestyle and plenty of rest may help you focus on things of importance.

Pisces:

Feb 19- Mar 20

An idea will soon come to you that appears better than it actually is. Consider all options before making a final decision; it could save you plenty of trouble in the long-run.

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Our View

The issue of parking on the UMD campus is one that draws criticism from students year after year. While the Parking Services office struggles to meet growing demands and to deal with a construction-plagued campus, students struggle to figure out where to park.

This year has presented entirely new obstacles in the struggles for both the Parking Services office and the students who drive to UMD. Some examples: detoured traffic due to the construction of LSBE, elimination of the pay lot located by the medical school, a temporary elimination of a resident lot next to Griggs S and the reassignment and additions of lots and their designations.

While these obstacles are certainly present and credit should be given to the Parking Services office to help remedy the inconveniences caused by them, there are clearly areas in which the office could do a better job in handling.

In the past, high school students attending UMD for orientation have been given a free pass to park in Pay Lot A, which was located by the medical school before its eradication this year. The lot, which is now a faculty lot, is no longer used for any orientation purposes.

It is interesting to observe that the new faculty lot is hardly ever seen at more than half its capacity. Meanwhile, students sit waiting in line at the pay lot by the library.

When snow fall occurs, housing residents are given temporary permission to park in maroon lots while crews clear the snow. What is most shocking about this is

that the week after the February blizzard of this year, residents were given permission to park in maroon lots along St. Marie Street at the very same time that orientation attendees were allowed to park in maroon lots and that several maroon lots were partially closed for snow removal.

Obviously, snow and construction are outside the realm of control by the Parking Services office. Its response and handling of them are not, however. Why did snow removal after the blizzard, for example, not start until the following Monday when the maroon lots sit empty on the weekend?

More analysis needs to be given to the new faculty lot. And while it has been said many times, the question of why UMD doesn't see the need for a parking deck needs a clear and sufficient response from administration or the Parking Services office.

The impact that parking problems have on students is significant. Too often has the response from administration and the Parking Services office been that students need to choose other means of transportation. While UMD pays millions of dollars for new buildings and art sculptures, it is outrageous that the consideration of building a parking ramp is so readily tossed aside. The bottom line is that the office is not even meeting the needs of those that currently pay for permits, not to mention limiting the choices of students who pay thousands of dollars in tuition per semester.

GUEST EDITORIAL

Response to 9/11 "Truth" Movement

By Alexander M. Risse
Statesman Guest Contributor

Two weeks ago I, like many of you, attended the lecture on "9/11 Conspiracy Theories" given by Dr. James Fetzer. I had done extensive research on the subject before I attended Dr. Fetzer's talk, and as a result, I had already come to a conclusion that such theories are unsupported by evidence. Regardless, I decided that I would attend the event to see if the very founder of Scholars for 9/11 Truth, and arguably the leader of the entire 9/11 Truth Movement itself, James Fetzer, had anything to say that I had not heard before. However, sitting in Bohannon 90 that night, I found that Dr. Fetzer was using the same utterly unbiased evidence that I often see spewed by a high school student with too much time on his/her hands! In the rest of this response, I will cover a fraction of the many fallacies of the so-called 9/11 "Truth" Movement. For the sake of space, I will only cover parts of theory that have been mentioned in the article from last week's edition of *The Statesman*.

The buildings were designed to withstand the impact from the largest airliner at the time, the Boeing 707.

While that fact alone is true, Dr. Fetzer is using a great amount of deception on this point. The Towers were designed to withstand the impact of a Boeing 707 flying low, slow, lost in the fog and looking for the airport. The scenario which was imagined also entailed that the plane would be low on fuel. The reason that this was planned for is because a B-25 bomber had crashed into the Empire State Building under that scenario in July of 1945. When comparing what the designers had planned for to what actually happened, one can see just how much of a difference there is. The Boeing 767s that struck the Towers were not only larger than a 707, but they were also traveling at top speed! They were also not low on fuel by any means. In fact, the reason that the terrorists picked those particular flights for hijacking was likely due to the fact that they knew that those flights would be carrying a full fuel load. That scenario is a far cry from a low, slow, fuel empty, smaller aircraft! It is also widely accepted among structural engineers that the towers would not have fallen if the fires had not burned to the extent at which they did. It was a combination of the severe structural damage dealt by the planes, AND the fire that ensued which caused the towers to collapse. Either event by itself would not

have had the same result.

In order for the WTC Towers to fall, the steel had to have melted.

This idea is simply false. What Dr. Fetzer failed to mention was that steel loses nearly half of its structural integrity at only about 60 percent of its melting point temperature (steel melts at approx. 2,750 F). Also, Dr. Fetzer did not mention that the temperatures in the damaged areas of the towers varied greatly. Steel undergoes large amounts of buckling when exposed to different levels of heating at the same point in time. Such buckling of the structure could easily have caused structural elements to fail.

Bombs were placed in the Towers.

There is absolutely no evidence that would suggest that the WTC towers were brought by demolition explosives, or any other type of explosive. Dr. Fetzer claimed that there where explosions in the basement 14-17 seconds before the planes hit the towers. In all my research on 9/11 CT, I have never come across any evidence that suggests that explosions precede the plane impact. There is simply nothing that suggests this, not seismic data, nothing. There is an account by one William Rodriguez who claims to have heard an explosion in the basement before the impacts, but he says nothing to imply that that they where spaced out by as much as 16 seconds. His testimony can be viewed on YouTube and Google. He seems to actually imply that the space between the sounds he heard was nearly instantaneous, just enough to hear an audible difference. There is a perfectly logical explanation for this that does not involve the planting of explosives in the basements. That explanation lies in the fact that sound waves travel much faster through steel than they do through air. That difference in speed would have been enough for someone in the basements to hear the collision through the structure of the tower before he heard the same event through the air.

The alleged "explosions" (often referred to as demolition squibs) bursting from the WTC during the collapse also have a perfectly logical explanation that does not involve bombs. The Twin Towers were constructed basically as a small core "tube," enclosed by a larger outer "tube." The inner core enclosed stairwells and elevator shafts. As the towers

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Speculations on why students drink

By Brian Peltier
Statesman Staff Writer

Smashed, plastered, tanked, wasted, sloshed, annihilated, hammered—whatever you like to call it, one thing holds true: It is a growing trend among students. Before I entered college, I knew drinking was considered one of the commonly shared pastimes between students. What I didn't think about was why it's a common pastime and how it came to be that way.

There's no universal reason I can think of for why students drink except for one, and it may surprise you, as it certainly isn't the reason that we'll talk about with our friends if we do consider our reasons for drinking.

Before continuing with the article, I would like to set two things straight, mainly because at this point you may be questioning whether you're going to keep reading: I do not despise drinking, and I do not dislike people

because they drink. I only want you to think about the reasons behind it, because I have pondered this question for some time now. It's not because we don't have anything better to do, because everyone knows that we all do, and it's not for our often overstated reason of relaxing on the weekend. Everyone knows that alcohol is a depressant, and depressants often aren't good for anything but making mundane issues into dramatic events.

So why do we drink? Is it so we can bring out our loose side and leave our inhibitions at the door, while having wonderful and forgotten conversations with random people about what we aspire to do in life?

I tend to think that it isn't any of these things. The truth is, drinking is not something that will enlighten us or even help us relax. It won't be your pal, and it won't even have your back when you're getting written a minor. The one thing it does do, howev-

er, is allow us to have something in common with one another. It allows everyone to have a shared pastime on the weekends and for some, even weeknights. Drinking allows us to have an excuse to be somewhere on the weekends and a reason to meet random people and hold absolutely meaningless conversations.

It's not that we need to drink or even that we want to drink; it's where drinking brings us that's the common denominator. Sadly enough, drinking is the reason we meet a lot of people at college, something that brings all the educated people together to hold and discuss often uneducated discussions, and our alibi for holding them.

Whether drinking is healthy or not, I am not going to get into. After all, we're an educated group of people, and I think everyone has formed an opinion on the subject by now. Instead, I hoped to shed light on an important and often over-



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looked concept: that drinking gives us a reason to go out or in more bleak terms, an excuse.

Whether you agree with my philosophy or not right now is unimportant. The important thing is that when you go to your next party, and you're talking to a random stranger about alternative energy resources and who's going to win the staring con-

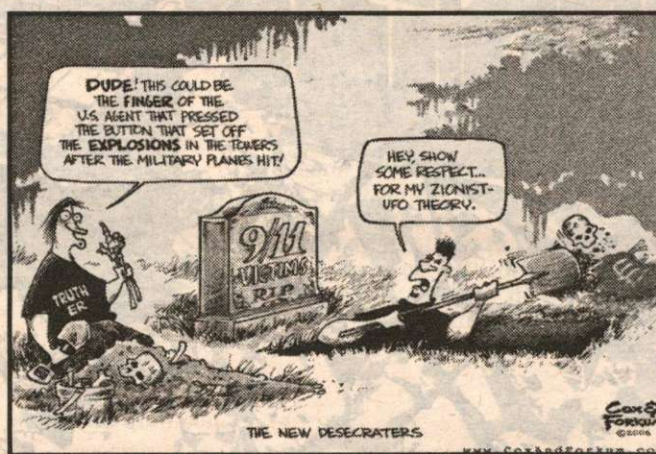
test between President Bush and the democrats in senate, I'm hoping you'll begin to look a little more closely at why you're there. Cheers!

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RESPONSE

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collapsed the air in the core was put under a great amount of pressure, which would have caused dust-laden air to be forced out of the core, probably through elevator doors. When the air was forced on to a particular floor, the entire floor would have been put under the same enormous pressure. That pressure sought out the path of least resistance: windows. When a direct comparison of these alleged "squibs" is made to actual building demolitions, one can see that there is no real resemblance. A good example for comparison can be viewed if you search "Landmark Tower Implosion" on Google Video. Notice how real "squibs" are accompanied by extremely loud explosions and very bright flashes of light. Note how "squibs" are clearly visible on every floor and not randomly scattered about the building. Also notice how the building collapses from the bottom down, and that the foundation is blasted last, not first as Dr. Fetzer claims was done at the WTC. The video that Dr. Fetzer used as an example of these "squibs" (an Excerpt from the deceptive 9/11 "documentary" "Loose Change") has none of the original sound footage present. When one views the unedited version, one cannot hear the explosions that should have accompanied the "squibs."



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No 757 hit the Pentagon, there was no gash in the lawn as the "official story" states, and there was no 757 wreckage.

This was an especially bold statement for Dr. Fetzer to make. True the grass on the Pentagon lawn was untouched, but the government's account of the attacks never suggested that the plane hit the lawn at all! That idea has been popularized by many conspiracy theorists as a way to discredit the government on the subject. I also have no idea where Dr. Fetzer got the idea that there was not any 757 wreckage found at

the site. There were landing gear, shards of fuselage, engine parts, wheels and more found at the site. ALL OF THEM matched a 757. Dr. Fetzer would have us all believe that government agents in suits ran out quickly to plant the evidence IN BROAD DAYLIGHT. He also ignored that all the people on the flight were identified by a combination of DNA, dental records and a process known as forensic radiology. I would personally like to see Dr. Fetzer declare to the coroner who was in charge of the horrible duty of collecting those human remains that the government had faked the entire scene.

These outrageous claims only scratch the surface of the lies of the 9/11 "Truth" Movement. I encourage everyone to go out and do their own research on the topic of 9/11. I find it alarming that people such as Dr. Fetzer, who have a great amount of respectability, go around peddling these conspiracy theories as if they have conclusive evidence. In reality, there is nothing that can prove his claims to be true. It is unfair that people walk into lectures such as Dr. Fetzer's, not having any idea what is really going to be talked about, and walk out believing that the U.S. Government killed 3,000 of its own citizens based on non-evidence! People who use such methods cannot and should not be trusted.

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Duluth family has high hopes for reconstruction

By Lisa Kunkel
Statesman Staff Reporter

High hopes lie in the path for a local family who has recently been nominated to have their damaged home reconstructed on ABC's motivational reality show, "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition."

Paul and Sue Johnson, along with their two young daughters, Hannah and Hailey, have been living in not-so-glamorous conditions since the home was severely damaged almost two years ago.

"We've just been dealing with it," said Paul Johnson.

Located up the North Shore, the Johnsons thought that after a few finishing touches they would be settling into their dream home. Little did they know, just a few months later their dream would become a nightmare.

"We had an ice dam that melted," said Sue. "It came crashing down and water ran everywhere."

The ice dam destroyed the roof, ceiling and walls of the house that was only five years old at the time.

"We realized we've got a much bigger problem," said Sue Johnson.

The self-employed parents were running on a low income and due to faulty construction, insurance did not cover the damages.

"We were told that it would be less expensive to tear it down than to repair. This was very sad for us," said Sue Johnson.

The family was left with a tough choice.

"We could either tear it down or watch it rot away," said Sue Johnson.

The Johnsons, however, did not choose to let go of their dream home that easily.

"We've been trying to do as much as we can ourselves," said Sue Johnson.

But the repairs needed were major, and there wasn't

much they could do.

"We dumped a bunch of money into it, but then we ran out of funds to do anything else," said Paul Johnson.

He said they made the basement livable while they worked on the rest of the house.

"We've been living in the basement," said Sue Johnson. "We're going to be down here until we can repair the roof."

However, this not a small task.

"This isn't just re-shingling," said Sue. "It will be a matter of tearing the roof down and completely building a new one."

The living conditions have affected the entire family including the couple's two daughters, Hannah and Hailey.

"Right now they don't have bedrooms," said Sue Johnson.

"They're sleeping in the living room."

When the Johnsons found out friends had nominated them to have an extreme home makeover, their hopes brightened.

"It was something that we needed," said Sue Johnson. "It was very humbling."

If they are to win, Ty Pennington and his crew will build them a new home in only seven days.

"We're really excited," said Paul. "We really need this."

A petition that will be submitted to ABC is currently available online at <http://www.gopetition.com/online/11430.html> where anyone is welcome to encourage the Johnsons' nomination. There are currently over 130 signatures.

Karen Quady was one person who signed the petition.

"Paul, Sue and the girls are so deserving of this incredible gift. They are the sweetest people and would be beside

themselves with appreciation and excitement," she said.

"It would be a huge relief for us," said Sue Johnson.

She said the show is not only looking at the family alone but their community's involvement in the reconstruction efforts.

Sue Johnson heard there were four other contestants along with their family, and they won't find out who the winner is until about a week before the crew actually comes to the home.

The Johnsons are looking for the support from members of the community to give Ty Pennington and his crew more reasons to come to Duluth and provide a new, safe home for their family.

"The Johnsons have been optimistic through hardships and disappointments," said Diane Johnson, the first person to sign the petition.

"I feel they are very deserving of help for their living conditions," said Diane Johnson. "We would like to encourage this family to stay in our gorgeous area."

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Student learns valuable lesson

By Austin Bowyer
Statesman Staff Writer

I was at the coffee shop on Monday having a chat with one of my female friends. Our relationship is funny in that we are a pair of socialites seen together doing various fun activities, but we are by no means intimate with one another. We already tried that and are now content with our platonic relationship. You could say our relationship is comparable to the Clintons'. Anyway, as we were sitting there chatting, we go through the stereotypical exchange of greetings.

"How was your weekend?"

"Good."

I nod my head in agreement, "Good, what did you do?"

"Well, on Friday I went to a party; it was so lame that I had to leave."



AP PHOTO
This truck is 2D2F, metaphorically that is.

Curiosity struck me and asked her why she paused and smilingly said, "Do you really want to know?"

I instinctively responded "Yes," and she continued, "Well, I get there and begin to scan the room, typical party with the typical crowd. As I was standing there, this obvious freshmen tries to approach me and

then spills his beer on my brand new shirt. I glare at him, and he tries to be funny and suggests a 'wet t-shirt contest?' I hate being objectified by measly red-heads."

"Who do you like being objectified by?"

"Big strong athletes like you, (I glance at my scraggly biceps and smirk) no, but yeah, anyway, I then began to look around the room for a prospect."

"A prospect?" I ask.

"Yeah, a boy of course. The numbers were scarce, and I decided to leave. That's when I saw you."

I was caught off guard, excitedly I say, "You saw me? How come you didn't choose me as your 'prospect?'"

She calmly responded, "You were staggering around silly, 2D2F. Like Avenue D sang 'don't get too drunk

to f@ck.' Besides you immediately ran to the bathroom and vomited."

"Oh yeah..." and I began to marvel at the fragmented memories.

"Vomit and googly eyes equal a no go, so after ruling you out, I scanned the room again, and that's when I saw the perfect match. He wasn't 2D2F, and he wasn't sober either, simply perfect. He was wearing a cute little Patagonia jacket and some high class Levi Strauss jeans."

"Wait," I interrupt. "What color was his jacket?"

"Green, why?"

"Because that was my friend!!!" She began to smile, and I knew the look, it was goooooood.

Lesson of the week: don't get 2D2F. Otherwise, you'll miss your shot.

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Letters to People



By Stephen Jacobs
Statesman Staff Writer

Dear Jesus,

Let me start by saying I'm grateful for all that dying for our sins business. That took some real marbles. However, it seems these days that you're being upstaged by a guy at the mall wearing a bunny suit. Now, do you really want this middle-aged furry hogging your spotlight? I thought not. Luckily for you, there are some foolproof ways to increase your level of cool with the kiddies.

For starters, abbreviate everything you possibly can. Look at the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. They're cool right? Of

course, but that wasn't enough, they had to push the envelope by abbreviating the title of their new movie. What does that equal? Why instant cool, of course. It even lets a little extreme into the equation.

You already have a head start on this trend. Remember your WWJD fad a few years ago that is still hanging on. Why not couple it with another surefire hit, "yo mama" jokes, i.e. what would Jesus do to your mom WWJD TYM?

Say "hi" to the kids for me.

Your partner in crime,

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TOPTEN

Things Jesus Wouldn't Do

By Ted Norgaard
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10. Try bribing a cop with Monopoly money.
9. Delay the opening of the Burrito Union on some bullshit.
8. Get a venereal disease from a hooker and try lying to God about how he got it.
7. Tell a dead baby joke no matter how funny it is.
6. Go to the Duluth Athletic Club.
5. Speak ill of a liberal, republican, Dick Cheney or basically anyone except for Carrot Top.
4. Allow Anna Nicole Smith into heaven.
3. Cross the bridge and go to Superior.
2. Crack, heroine or P.C.P. But I can definitely see him smoking a joint.
1. Forgive me for writing this top ten list.

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studentlife

Thursday, April 5, 2007

Relay to raise money for cancer

By Ted Norgaard
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UMD's Fifth Annual Relay for Life grew larger than any of its preceding years. It's a 12-hour-long fundraiser that requires at least one member from every team to walk around the track in the university's fieldhouse at any given time throughout the night and early morning.

"Last year we had 28 teams, and this year so far we're up to 32," said senior and this year's Relay co-chair, Shantel Schallenkamp. "Each team consists of about 10 to 15 people."

The 28 teams last year raised nearly \$25,000, which all went to the American Cancer Society. There the money went through one of four different channels to help fight cancer: research grants, advocacy, education/awareness or patient services. In 2006 alone, the nation-wide Relay for life campaign raised over \$370 million, according to Community Relations Representative for the American Can-



PHOTO COURTESY OF AMBER MIDOLL

Participants walk and set up camp at the indoor fieldhouse track at last year's Relay for Life event.

cer Society, Amber Midoll.

"What is so phenomenal about Relay For Life on your campus is that now is the time to make a difference in the cancer issue," said Midoll. "Your students have really stepped up to the plate. There are whole villages and towns that don't raise as much money as UMD does."

So far, this year's Relay has

raised just over \$2,500, a far cry from their goal of \$28,000. An up-to-date ticker displays the Relay's donations totals online.

"Students tend to hold onto their donations longer than community relays, and we usually tend to get most of our donations the night of," said Midoll.

The Relay takes place on

April 13 at 6 p.m. and continues until 6 a.m. on the following Saturday.

"At the beginning of the night there's a survivors reunion," said Schallenkamp. "It's for cancer survivors and their caregivers, and they kick-off the event by taking the first lap around the track."

There is no deadline to form

a team and join the Relay for Life. However, the earlier you sign up the better. There are, however, people who sign up to join the day of the event.

"So far I've raised \$340," said freshman Kelly Petten-gill. "It's for a great cause, and anyone else who wants to support us can come on Friday night."

A participant's life doesn't need to have been affected by cancer to participate, absolutely anyone is invited to come and join in on the festivities, which will include a Fear Factor feast, luminaria ceremony, a frozen t-shirt contest, games and even live music.

* On the Net: Relay's donation totals:
<http://www.acsevents.org/relay/mn/umd/>

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From graduation to grad schools

By Anne Davis
Statesman Staff Reporter

The decision to attend graduate school requires circumspect analysis of your goals, capabilities and commitment to your field of study. In some areas of study, obtaining a masters or doctorate will merely enhance your access to high paying jobs. In others, graduate-level education can lead to greater creative freedom in your future career. In the job market, an individual with a master's degree will have an edge on competitors with only a bachelor's, assuming all else is equal.

"In the field I am pursuing, medicinal chemistry, I know that going on to graduate school will increase my (opportunity to exercise) creative freedom," said senior Alex Brandt.

Other students also find it important to dive right back into the education system after graduating.

"I contemplated taking a year off to get some field experience, but I later decided against it after considering that it will take at least five years to graduate," said senior Steve Mayne. "The earlier I start, the earlier I will be done."

Mayne figures that with only a bachelor's degree in psychology he will face limited job prospects and may not earn what he considers a livable wage.

There is an urban legend about a cab driver who claims to have spent his prime earning a doctorate only to find no work on completion. While this might be the truth for a minority of the population, for the most part a doctorate is a valuable degree.

It takes approximately seven years to earn a doctorate and roughly three to earn a master's, depending on the school and area of study being pursued. Attempting either degree is a huge undertaking and not everyone is suited for the rigors of graduate level study.

Unlike undergraduate work, there is less focus on traditional tests and texts and much more emphasis on self-directed research and writing scholarly papers, according to www.gradschools.com.

If, after careful soul searching, you come to the conclusion that graduate school is your next proper step, you will face the monumental tasks of selecting, applying to and being accepted by an institution.

Chocolate Jesus stirs up controversy

NEW YORK (AP) — The Easter season unveiling of an anatomically correct chocolate sculpture of Jesus Christ, dubbed "My Sweet Lord" by its creator, has infuriated Catholics preparing to observe some of their holiest days of the year.

The 6-foot sculpture by Cosimo Cavallaro was to debut Monday evening, four days before Christians mark the crucifixion of Jesus Christ on Good Friday. The final day of the exhibit at the Lab Gallery inside Manhattan's Roger Smith Hotel was planned for Easter Sunday.

"This is one of the worst assaults on Christian sensibilities ever," said Bill Donohue, head of the Catholic League, a watchdog group. "It's not just the ugliness of the portrayal, but the timing — to choose Holy Week is astounding."

The gallery's creative director, Matt Semler, said the Lab and the hotel were overrun with angry telephone calls and e-mails.

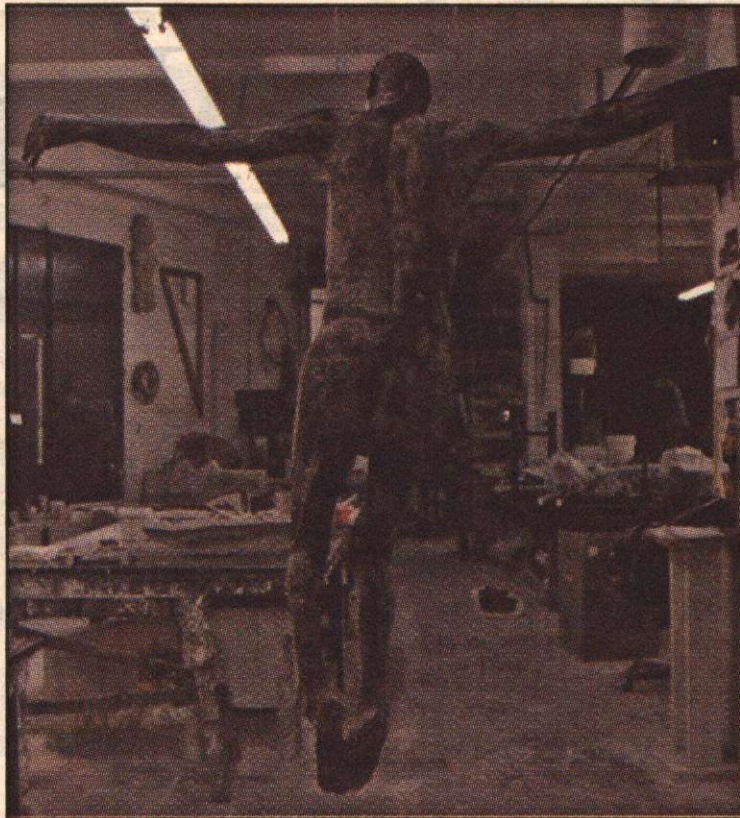
The gallery was considering its options, he said.

"We're obviously surprised by the overwhelming response and offense people have taken," said Semler, adding that the Holy Week timing was a coincidence.

The artwork was created from more than 200 pounds of milk chocolate, and it features Christ with his arms outstretched. The Cavallaro creation does not include a loincloth.

A publicist for the gallery said the artist was not available for comment.

Cavallaro, who was raised in Canada and Italy, is best known for his quirky work with food as art: Past efforts include repainting a Manhattan hotel room in melted mozzarella, spraying 5 tons of pepper jack cheese on a Wyoming home and festooning a four-poster bed with 312 pounds of processed ham.



A 6-foot naked Jesus hangs at Ranieris Sculpting studio in NYC.

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Part of this will entail taking a standardized test created for graduate school candidates. Many specialized tests exist for various programs, some of the most common include the Law School Admission Test, the Medical College Admission Test, the Graduate Record Examination and the Graduate Management Admission Test. You will also face interviews and application essays all of which are crucial components of an application.

UMD's Career Services office is home to numerous resources about graduate schools and their different programs. Career Services can also help when you are preparing for interviews, writing applications and a personal statement and help you find valuable study aids before you take the standardized tests.

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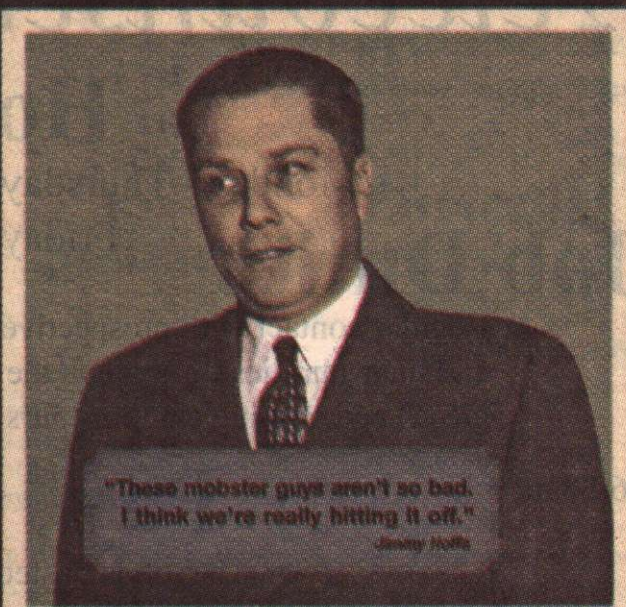


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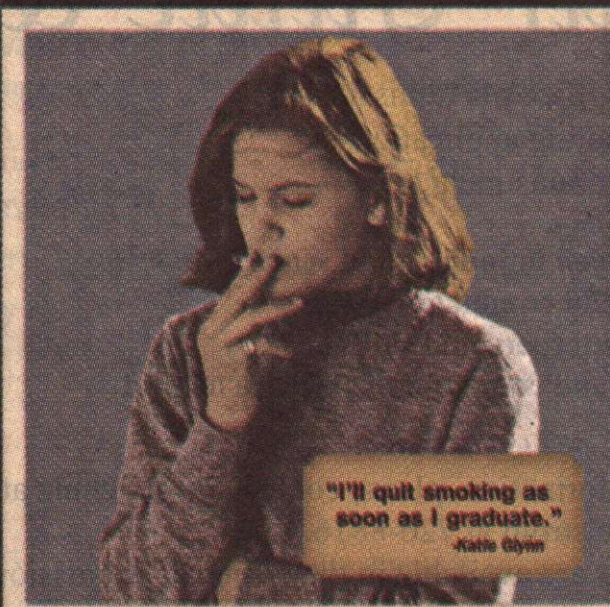
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Outdoors

Thursday, April 5, 2007

Opening day suffering on the Brule River

Intrepid fishermen find crowds, cold water and a disgruntled landowner

By Luke Kavajecz
Statesman Staff Writer

An early season stream fisher must experience a certain level of pain and suffering both physically and spiritually before they can meet with trout on a common level. When my trusty trout fishing partner and I made our annual trip to the Brule River in northwestern Wisconsin Saturday in search of silvery steelhead, we suffered plenty.

It all began at the unforgiving hour of 4 a.m. The previous night's shenanigans at the Afterburner Lounge, of all places, still clouded our better judgment and instead of going back to bed, we gathered our gear.

The rain had stopped and an eerie fog hovered above the frozen ground. We figured the fishing might be pretty good, if we could get there. Friday night's precipitation had turned the streets into something resembling an Olympic luge run overnight. After several awkward, nimble street crossing, our gear was in the car and we were off. We hoped the tires found some grip on the luge run.

Our plan was simple. Hike down a trail, intercept the river and head upstream. Looking at a map, the run we wanted to fish looked like it was going to be hard to get at, but that meant there shouldn't be anybody there. Hundreds of anglers head to the banks of the Brule on opening day each year for a chance to tango with a steelhead, which makes it hard to find a place to fish. Crowds weren't going to be a problem, according to our plan.

The sweaty, mile-long, neoprene-clad hike through the brushy trail was a struggle, but a faint whisper of the river's current was soon audible. The thought of having a prime stretch of the Brule River to ourselves washed the drowsiness from our heads. Then we saw them.

There were five of them; their ghostly silhouettes were barley visible through the mist clinging to the river. Their cars were parked under a stand of old white pines. They were rhythmically flinging spawn bags and yarn flies through a deep and persistent run. They must've come in on the gravel road we'd crossed back on the brushy trail; we had thought it was funny there was such a nice road in the middle of nowhere.

Our secret spot was obviously not a secret, so we moved upstream a little further; there's always another place

to fish; you've just got to look around the next bend in the river.

We found a spot where the river dipped and ducked over some rocks, took a hard right and plunged into a big pool. Foamy bubbles swirled lazily around—we tossed out our lines.

Somewhere between the constant chirp of a nearby chickadee and the mesmerizing rush of the river, Jim came to pay us a visit.

Jim's the kind of guy who yelled, shook his fist and then took the neighborhood kids' baseball when it strayed from their game and into his yard. Apparently, we had unknowingly trespassed on his land and he didn't like it—at least that's what we thought he was saying, but it was hard to make out any words under all the cussing.

Reluctantly, we picked up our lines and headed back downstream. Our secret spot now had a solid assembly of fishermen crowded into it, so we tagged along with the current and headed further downstream. We finally found a nice little run where we could fit our lines in.

A mink slinked its way through the ice at the river's edge, water twisted its way around the rocky run and our lines moved continually with the current—it finally felt like we were fishing.

Soon, however, the numbing water got the better of our feet, which now felt more like blocks of wood than feet, and we decided to head back to the car for some lunch—if some hot coffee didn't warm us up, the long hike up the brushy trail sure would.

In the parking lot at our secret spot, on the way to the dreaded trail, an older fisherman was sitting comfortably on the tailgate of his truck, pleasantly enjoying a sandwich. Over his worn, brown mackinaw he wore a fishing vest that looked old enough to tell stories, and protruding out of the large back pocket, was the broad and speckled tail of a steel headed rainbow trout. He smiled at us as we lumbered by—he must've suffered a lot this day, too.

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Rob Lindsey, left, fishes a slow section of the Brule River Saturday. Hundreds of anglers came from throughout the upper midwest to sample some of the river's famous springtime steelhead fishing.



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Dr. Carmen Latterell, associate professor of Mathematics & Statistics, College of Science & Engineering, is this year's recipient of the Jean G. Blehart Distinguished Teaching Award. This honor is given each year to a faculty member who has made contributions to the teaching mission of UMD that are of extraordinary quality. Carmen M. Latterell holds a BA in mathematics (St. Scholastica, Duluth), a MS in mathematics (UMD), and a PhD in mathematics education (University of Iowa). She is the author of over twenty research articles and two books. Her first book, entitled Math Wars, describes the ongoing debate about how to teach mathematics at the K-12 level. Her second book is entitled How to Prepare for College Mathematics Placement Tests. Dr. Latterell is the Principal Investigator on a five-year, \$3,000,000 National Science Foundation Graduate Fellows in K-12 Education grant. Her main area of research concerns the improvement of mathematics education at all levels. Dr. Latterell will receive her award during a ceremony and reception to be held Monday, April 30th at 2:30 p.m. in Griggs Center. Please join us to honor Dr. Latterell.

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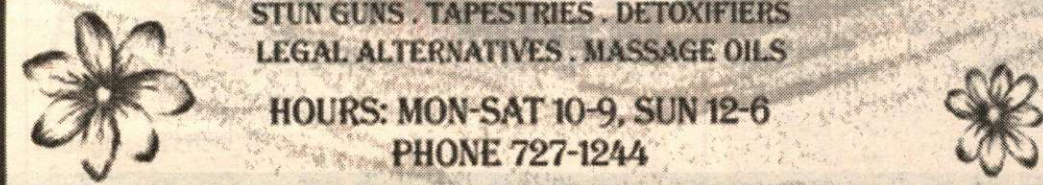


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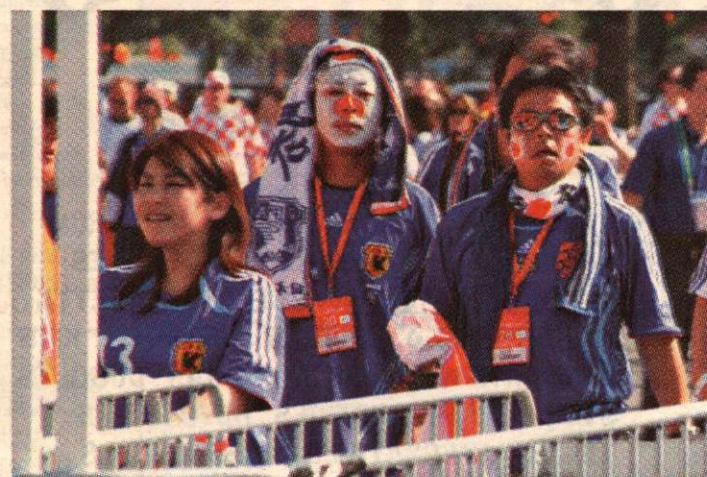
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by Roland Janbergs

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H	L	B	X	D	E	S	T	A
B	X	H	E	L	D	A	S	T
E	T	L	S	A	B	D	H	X
D	S	A	H	X	T	B	L	E
A	H	S	T	E	X	L	B	D
L	D	T	A	B	S	X	E	H
X	B	E	D	H	L	T	A	S

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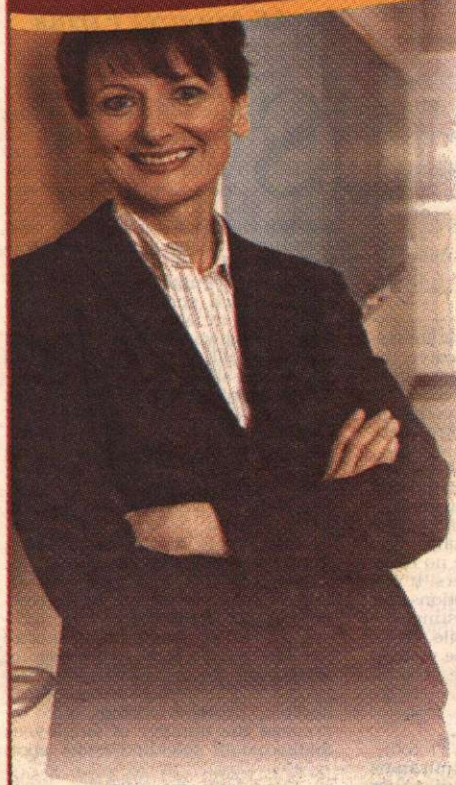


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EMI Shifts Strategy In Online Music

In a major break with the music industry's longstanding antipiracy strategy, EMI Group plans to begin selling significant amounts of its catalog without antipiracy software.

The London music company is to sell songs without the software—known as digital rights management, or DRM—through Apple's iTunes Store and possibly through other online outlets.

Apple said iTunes will make individual tracks available from EMI artists at twice the sound quality of existing downloads, with their DRM removed, at a price of \$1.29. iTunes will continue to offer tracks to consumers at 99 cents but these will have standard sound quality and with DRM still applied. Customers who have already purchased standard tracks with DRM will be able to upgrade to DRM-free tracks for 30 cents.

The agreement means that iTunes customers will soon be able to play downloaded songs by the Rolling Stones, Norah Jones, Coldplay and other top-selling artists without the copying restrictions once imposed by their label. EMI said almost all of its catalog, excluding music by The Beatles, is included in the deal.

DRM has been a contentious issue in online music sales. Record companies have insisted that digital retailers employ the software to prevent rampant copying. But because the DRM used by Apple is proprietary and doesn't work with services or devices made by competitors, it has locked owners of the company's iPod music players into buying the most popular mainstream music from the iTunes store.

Record companies have blamed this lock-in for limiting digital music sales, which account for around 15% of all recorded music sales in the U.S.

Airlines Make Plans For WiFi in the Sky

After years of discussion and delay, U.S. airlines will start offering in-flight Internet connections, instant messaging and wireless email within 12 months, turning cabins into WiFi hotspots.

Carriers are expected to start making announcements around the end of the summer, with service beginning early next year.

AirCell, a Colorado company, paid \$31.3 million at a Federal Communications Commission auction

A Higher Bar

This year's admission rate at selected colleges:

Harvard University	9%
Yale University	10
Stanford University	10
University of Pennsylvania	15
Pomona College	16
Williams College	17
Georgetown University	20
Cornell University	21
Bucknell University	30
University of Michigan*	42

*Rolling admission not yet complete

last year to take over radio frequency once used for expensive air-phone service and reallocate it to Internet and cellphone service. The Internet service already has the approval of both the FCC and the Federal Aviation Administration.

What makes the service particularly attractive to airlines is that they will share revenue with AirCell. The service will cost about the same as existing WiFi offerings. AirCell says it will charge no more than \$10 a day to passengers. It will also offer discounted options for customers and tie into existing service programs like T-Mobile, iPass and Boingo. Speeds will be equivalent to WiFi service on the ground.

Colleges Reject Record Numbers

This year's college-admissions competition is turning out to be more brutal than ever—and not just for students who applied to elite universities.

A number of top-tier state schools and smaller liberal-arts colleges say they received more applications this year from well-qualified students—and consequently are turning down a higher percentage of them.

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill received 20,017 applications, up from 19,736 last year. The state school's acceptance rate fell to 33.3% from 34.1%. At Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio, 4,624 students applied, up 8%, yet it accepted 1,348, down from 1,395 last year, to prevent overenrollment.

Several factors are fueling the rise in applications. One is population trends: The number of students graduating from high school has risen each year since the 1995-96 school year. Another is an increase in international students, sometimes spurred by expanded univer-

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Spotting the Next Hoodie

Street Fashion Trends Shape Strategy At Apparel Firms

BY VANESSA O'CONNELL

Standing near a cluster of bars at the corner of Red River and East 6th streets in Austin, Texas, earlier this month, Helen Job grew anxious about denim. She had spent four days in the hip college town, trying to determine whether a new look was catching on.

After seeing mostly skinny jeans, which she believes are on their way out, Ms. Job finally spotted a young woman in a T-shirt and high-waisted, straight-legged jeans. The sighting was further confirmation of a trend her colleagues at Worth Global Style Network had already documented on the streets of Scandinavia, Europe and Japan and in stores in Paris and London. "Give it about six weeks," she said, "and all the New York stores will have them in the windows."

Ms. Job is one of the fashion industry's secret weapons. As U.S. editor of WGSN, a fashion-consulting service, she is one of a growing number of third-party researchers who go out into the streets to get an early look at emerging styles and to find out where young people are shopping. A competing service, Doneger Group, has increased the number of employees dedicated to so-called trend spot-



Fashion trend spotter Tim Bess talks with shopper Xavier 'Ozbe' Peña at the Goliath boutique in Harlem

ting by 50% to 120 people in the past five years. The 30-year-old Ms. Job even teaches a class on trend spotting to fashion-merchandising students at Parsons The New School for Design.

The role of trend spotters—sometimes also called cool hunters—has grown in importance as the fashion cycle has speeded up. Desperate for an edge in a lackluster market, apparel makers and retailers increasingly are seeking help in quickly sorting through competing trends. Trend spotters can help mass merchandisers figure out which nascent trends from chic boutiques or even thrift stores

might be hot sellers on a wider scale.

Street style has become an important source of inspiration for retailers eager to lure shoppers with a taste for "fast fashion" at chains like H&M and Zara. Many chains have their own in-house trend spotters. Store inventory is also turning over more quickly, as retailers strive to refresh the merchandise

on their racks. At Nordstrom, for instance, inventory turned over 5.06 times last year, compared with 3.7 times in 2001.

These consultants work in different ways, but many produce slick, periodic reports—often focused on key looks, such as accessories—which they sell to mass retailers, apparel manufacturers and designers. Ms. Job says her photos are used by clients such as Levi Strauss, Liz Claiborne, Giorgio Armani, Calvin Klein and Polo Ralph Lauren.

Many trend spotters focus almost entirely on young people, on the theory that they have an im-

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Fox Plans Vignettes in Ad Breaks

By BRIAN STEINBERG

Commercial television has always relied on the ad breaks that interrupted its programming. Now, one network is about to begin interrupting its ad breaks with tiny snippets of programming.

By mid-month, News Corp.'s Fox network plans to run short animated clips about a taxi driver known as "Oleg" during ad breaks. The character will offer up odd bits of wisdom and even chat with spoof versions of celebrities like Tom Cruise or Donald Trump. Fox hopes the clips will persuade viewers to keep watching during commercial breaks, rather than—as many people do—changing channels or using a digital video recorder to fast-forward through ads.

"It's something that pops up that is unexpected and the viewer says, 'What the hell is that?' It may keep them around for a while longer," says Jon Nesvig, Fox Broadcasting's president of sales.

The clips' premiere comes less than two months before Nielsen Media Research is scheduled to release a new measure of ad viewership expected to show audience levels are noticeably lower for ads than for programs. While the numbers won't surprise many people, they will give marketers hard evidence to use in pushing for lower prices for ad time.

So, most of the major broadcast networks are working on ways to boost ad viewership, although Fox's plans appear to be the most advanced. Walt Disney's ABC is mulling ways to make it less obvi-

ous to viewers that programs are pausing for commercials. One potential example is for a cast member of ABC's sitcom "Ugly Betty" to be shown in a scene opening a magazine where a picture from the glossy expands into an ad.

This month, General Electric's NBC plans to conduct two experiments. One will involve trivia and will take place during multiple episodes of the sitcom "Scrubs." The other will involve "The Tonight Show With Jay Leno," though the network declines to offer details.

At CBS, executives have been discussing creating individual concepts for specific clients. "I don't think a cookie-cutter approach is going to work," says Jo Ann Ross, CBS's president of sales. The network also wants to test things quietly and monitor viewer reaction, she says.

Trend Spotters Seek the Next Hoodie

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pact on the broader fashion scene.

"There is the longstanding debate of what influences what. Does the street influence high fashion or does fashion influence the street?" says Michael Macko, vice president for men's fashion at Saks Fifth Avenue. He for one, is "always fascinated" by street fashion.

The recent rise of the men's all-over-print hoodie, or hooded jacket, shows how street trends spread. The Japanese urban streetwear chain A Bathing Ape helped push the look into the U.S. from Tokyo a couple of seasons ago, prompting small retailers in New York like Karmaloop to start selling their own versions. Soon, print hoodies were showing up in hip magazines such as Complex

and Nylon and hip-hop videos. Over the past six months, more mainstream designers and apparel makers picked up the style, which is now widely available.

Equally important to identifying trends, is figuring out when they are over. Tim Bess, the 41-year-old menswear street-style guru for fashion consultancy Doner Group, studies men ages 18 to 26. Sometimes he brings along the young woman who works as his assistant to help break the ice.

On a recent Saturday, he roamed the streets of SoHo and Harlem in New York. He chatted briefly with several sharply dressed kids, two of whom wore printed hoodies, and checked the window displays of influential boutiques. His conclusion: The printed hoodie still has

legs, but won't last much longer. Some guys on the street had already moved on to a more "cleaned up" look of solid shirts and jeans with little or no detailing.

Another sign: Mr. Bess spotted a printed hoodie on a scruffy middle-aged man. "You can tell when a trend sort of moves on," he said. "When you start seeing people who shouldn't be wearing a certain brand or look, that's when it's over."

For next year, Mr. Bess predicts a shift to a '90s grunge style. Some boutiques, he noted, have begun carrying plaid and flannel shirts.

Janine Blain, head of Doner Group's Los Angeles office, sees a movement away from "girly" styles to an "alpha male" look of structured women's jackets and pants in menswear fabrics.

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sity recruiting efforts. And a third is the growing use of the Common Application, a form that can be completed online and sent to a number of admissions offices far more easily than paper-based applications. More than 300 schools accept it.

Gaming Chips Head to the Office

Businesses that need really, really fast computers are starting to see big gains by borrowing technology from the world of videogames.

The idea, backed by Nvidia and Advanced Micro Devices, is to apply chips that manage graphics and video on computer screens to more general number-crunching tasks. These graphics-processing units, known as GPUs, are getting rave reviews and threatening to take specialized jobs from the microprocessors used in personal computers and server systems.

Energy-exploration companies, for example, use rooms full of servers with conventional Intel and AMD microprocessors to sift through seismic data to analyze potential petroleum deposits. Some simulations that take weeks or months on such machines can be completed in 10% of the time with the aid of Nvidia GPUs, says Diderich Buch, chief executive officer of Headwave, a Houston software specialist in the field.

"It's beautiful," he says. "We have companies that are testing it, and the response is just amazing."

Even fans concede that GPUs aren't good at every chore, and will

usually work alongside conventional microprocessors. But they excel when calculations must be carried out repeatedly on massive sets of data, such as comparing photos with images from security cameras at airports or public buildings.

The shift to GPUs reflects the fact that microprocessors are no longer improving fast enough for some users. Intel and AMD have recently boosted performance by putting two processors on each piece of silicon, and are racing to add more. But GPU makers are far ahead in such parallel approaches.

Odds and Ends

Apple introduced a new offering on its iTunes Store, Complete My Album, that allows consumers to purchase at a reduced price the remaining songs from an album for which they've already bought single songs on iTunes.... **For Sale: Lovable Losers.** Tribune Co., owner of the Chicago Cubs, said the storied baseball club will be sold after this season as part of real-estate developer Sam Zell's acquisition of the media company.

By Don Arbour

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Four-year starter excited to finish her final season as a Bulldog



By Pete Carpenter
Statesman Staff
Reporter

Four years ago, Nikki Jensen triumphantly adapted to the exhausting schedule of college softball and earned her starting outfield spot as a rookie freshman. These days she's using what she's learned to help

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pave the way for the class of 2007.

"We have a pretty intense schedule, which is something that is really hard to adapt to as a younger player," she said. "We have a pretty young team and one of my roles as a senior and a captain is to help make that transition for the younger girls as easy as possible, as far as our school, conference and coach's expectations."

That much she has done. She's also spent those last four years working her way up the Bulldog ladder and now she is knocking on a couple records' doors.

She is only 47 hits away from claiming the 15 seasons-long record held by All-American Patty Becker (194). In addition, she's been to the plate 449 times and is only 93 at bats away from breaking that record.

"I try and keep it out of my mind as much as possible on the field," said Jensen, who's been on the field in all but three of the last 148 games.

"I use it as inspiration during practice to help myself improve as much as possible to achieve them (records)."

Even though she's destined to sit among the Bulldog greats, Jensen remembers just how stressful playing so many games can be.

"Coming in as a freshman getting so much playing time really pushed me to prove myself," she said. "Playing over older girls was really hard actually knowing that they had put in more time and effort than I had. I've always done my best to be a key player as well as a team player, so I took it as a compliment as well as a challenge. High school ball was nothing compared to college."

Despite an early conference record of 0-2, the Bulldogs (9-11 overall) are still confident their season will prosper using what Jensen described as "the potential to be extremely good."

"Our team is one of the best teams I've ever been part of," said Jensen, who is one of two seniors on the team. "We have such great team chemistry and potential, regardless of how young we are. It's an experience I never thought I'd have and a great end to my softball career."

The lethal concoction of team chemistry and young talent left Jensen reluctantly foretelling the team's fortune.

"I would like to say that I expect a conference championship, but I know a lot can happen between now and May."

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least three years in college.

Jason White won the Heisman trophy in 2003. He was faced with the decision of whether to forgo his senior year and enter the NFL draft.

He decided to play as a senior and entered the draft the following year.

Unfortunately for White, no NFL team was interested in him and he went undrafted.

Though situations like White's occur, the long-run benefits of the college outweigh the possibly lost opportunity White possessed.

Critics of the new rule use the lack of draft restrictions in the NHL and MLB to argue their side.

The fact that they don't have similar policies to the NFL and NBA simply shows that it hasn't been necessary.

Major League Baseball has bigger fish to fry right now in dealing with the steroid controversy. Also, with the amount of athletes involved in the majors and the farm systems there is no need to dilute the talent pool.

Many of those players in the majors or the NHL worked to where they are while in college. However, since there are

likely those casualties of early entry into professional baseball or hockey, like the case here at UMD with Matt Niskanen and Mason Raymond leaving early to begin their pro careers it may make more sense to call for a similar ruling for these sports instead of banning the current one in basketball or football.

The NBA ruling is simply a restriction that will result in only the most talented core of individuals entering that profession.

The rule allows for a greater quality of talent at both the professional and collegiate level. Those entering the NBA have more experience. Those in college are only building their talents resulting in more exciting play.

At the same time, the social aspects of college are taken in by these athletes. College provides a time for students to gain knowledge and social skills on top of athletic skill.

In the end, the NBA ruling has no negative results. It gives those high schoolers who think they are the next Michael Jordan a chance to see what they are really made of, while providing them with outs should their dreams fall short.

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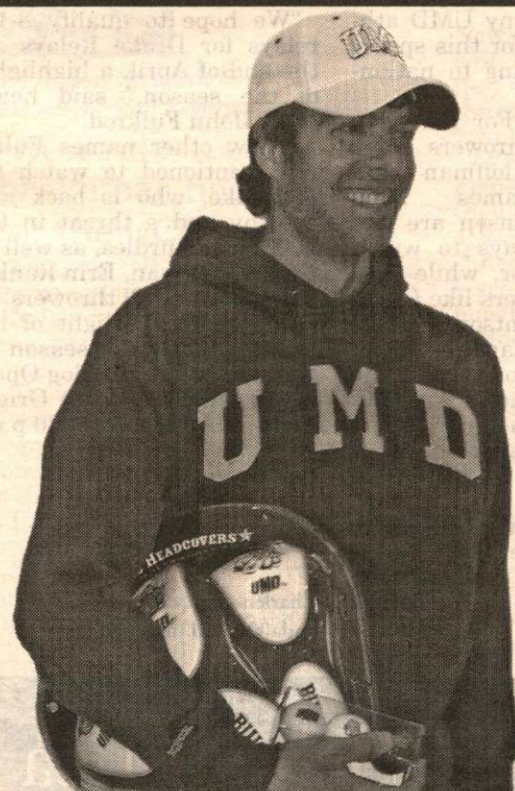
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WHAT: DOUBLE-HEADER

WHO: NEBRASKA-OMAHA

WHEN: APRIL 5 @ 1 P.M.

WHERE: OMAHA, NEB.

TENNIS

WHO: TRUMAN STATE

WHEN: APRIL 14 @ 4 P.M.

WHERE: MANKATO, MINN.

TRACK

WHAT: PELLA INVITATIONAL

WHEN: APRIL 6 @ 11 A.M.

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BEMIDJI, MINN. W 2-1

RECORD: 9-13

SOFTBALL

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APRIL 2 WINONA STATE

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RECORD: 9-11

**Three UMD athletes to partake
in Frozen Four Skills Challenge**

Bryan McGregor, Noemie Marin and Riitta Schaublin will compete in the 2007 Pontiac Frozen Four Skills Challenge on Friday, April 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the Scottrade Center in St. Louis, Mo.

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Indoor to outdoor track teams ready

By Charlene Hudalla
Statesman Staff Reporter

The indoor track season just wrapped up, and already, the track athletes are into the outdoor season.

With only one athlete from the UMD team going to the NCC Indoor National Championship, they hope to send more to the Outdoor National Championship meet, which is going to be held in Charlotte, N.C. this year. Indoor and outdoor track and field are very different from one another, not only in some events, but from the atmosphere and level of competition.

"Outdoor, to me personally, is much more fun and feels more like 'track,'" said senior captain Kayla Odegard. "I also like outdoor season better since my two favorite events are only included in

the outdoor season: javelin and hammer."

Indoor track and field meets are just that, indoor and away from Mother Nature.

"Wind is the biggest weather factor on most athletes," said junior runner Jared Clementson. "You have to deal with all the different types of weather."

On the other hand, senior captain Megan Beilke enjoys the indoor season because it is easier for the team to motivate their teammates.

"Indoor is nice because it was really easy to cheer everyone on the team on; you are in such close quarters in

the field house," said Beilke.

There are many UMD athletes to watch for this spring in hopes of going to nationals.

"Outdoor, to me personally, is much more fun and feels more like 'track.'"

— Captain Kayla Odegard

For the men, throwers Matt Kleffman and James Martinsen are two guys to watch for, while runners like Clementson, Forrest Randall and possibly the men's 4 x 400-meter relay team have a good chance to go to the big show.

The women athletes to watch for are Liz Palkie (UMD's indoor athlete that went to nationals), Alyssa Wendt in the 800, Rebecca Kok and the women's 4 x 400-

meter relay team.

"We hope to qualify 8-10 relays for Drake Relays at the end of April, a highlight of the season," said head coach John Fulkrod.

A few other names Fulkrod mentioned to watch for is Beilke, who is back and healthy and a threat in the 400-meter hurdles, as well as Cassie Corrigan, Erin Rankin and Odegard, all throwers.

One more highlight of the Bulldog athletes' season is going to be the Bulldog Open, which will be held at Griggs Field on April 24 at 4:30 p.m.

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By Tajen Stockdale
Statesman Staff Reporter

•New rule in college basketball has bonuses for the NCAA and NBA.

Last year, NBA commissioner David Stern implemented a rule stating that all players who enter the NBA draft must play college ball for at least one year.

Though some argue that the rule is not fair in limiting those who want to go pro directly out of high school, it benefits both the NBA, and the NCAA in the long run.

From 1995-2004, 32 players were drafted out of high school.

During their prep careers, they built a great deal of hype by showcasing their skills in front of NBA scouts, while dominating their opponents.

However, of those 32 players, only a hand full were able to live up to their hype: Kevin Garnett, Kobe Bryant, Tracy McGrady, Amare Stoudemire and LeBron James.

Others like Stephen Jackson and Al Harrington continue to play at the professional level; their talent level is not where it was hyped to be.

The new rule allows a larger talent pool in both the NBA and the NCAA.

Now, the players entering the NBA will have proven that not only did they excel at the prep level but also at the collegiate level, if even for only one year.

While many athletes coming out of high school highly regard their talents, they have to understand that there is always room for improvement.

Kevin Durant and Oden are the two biggest names that this new ruling may have affected this year.

Had both players been allowed to enter the draft, they would have easily been drafted.

Durant dominated the Big 12 this year with 25 points and 11 rebounds per game. While Durant proved that he is ready to play in the NBA, Greg Oden has proven to be a different story.

Oden, a 7-foot center who ruled the Big 10, scored 15 points and 9 rebounds a game has helped lead Ohio State to the national championship game.

However, Oden has shown, he has to improve. During the NCAA tournament, Oden ran into foul trouble early during games against Georgetown, Memphis and Texas A&M and was taken out of the game during the first half.

In the second half though, Oden came out and completely dominated the opposition leading the Buckeyes to victory.

During the game, he is slow in transition. When in position, Oden could guarantee a put back on any missed jumper. But if he's still at half court when the shots are taken, what good is he? His slowness up and down court and ability to be foul prone are things he needs to work on. Sure, Oden will likely get drafted in the top five should he enter, but if he figures out a way to stay on the court the entire game, like he did against Florida, we could be looking at the next Shaq.

In high school, all the players are within an age pool of 14-18. Almost every athlete has the same level of experience.

In the NBA, there are those who have been playing professionally longer than some of these players have been alive.

College ball allows those players a transitional period to fine tune and perfect their skills against a core group of players that is far more talented than the average high school competition.

College ball can prepare athletes by letting them play on the big stage without dealing with the egos and pressure that come with professional sports.

High school players also have a tough time relating to their professional teammates.

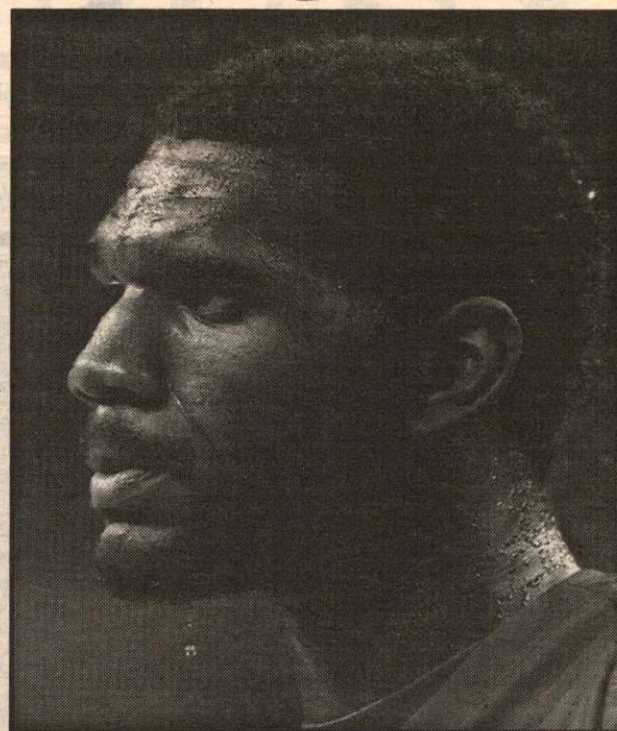
For example, in 1995 after a Timberwolves victory, many of the teammates would go out and celebrate at a local bar or club. Garnett would have to go home, drink some Pepsi and maybe play a little NBA JAM.

Though it sounds minor, situations like this can affect team comradarie.

Talent growth aside, playing college ball is more beneficial for all athletes.

Only 60 players are drafted into the NBA each year, while thousands of students will be playing at the college level.

By staying in college,



AP PHOTO

Greg Oden is one of the top college players that could have gone pro after high school. Oden put up a top performance in the championship game with 25 points and 12 rebounds.

those athletes who attempt to succeed at the professional level and fail after only a few years, will have a college education to fall back on.

Students can do nothing but expand their career options by going to college.

Some argue that a high school student who possesses an extraordinary talent could get hurt while playing in college, ruining their future.

However, this rarely happens. For the most part, those athletes who could have been drafted after an impressive high school career, do not have career-ending injuries their freshman year in college.

It is different if a player has a mediocre year following a standout year. Their draft potential would obviously fall, which this is good for the NBA because it allows for a more complete look at all the players.

Were a player to be drafted out of high school and have a career-ending injury his first year out, he would be in the same position.

Sure, he would have the guaranteed million for being drafted, but after that, the options are limited without a college education or a scholarship that would've been there waiting for him after high school.

Other sports like baseball and hockey allow players to be drafted directly out of high school.

However, many of these players, after being drafted will still play in college before playing professionally to fine tune their skills.

The NFL has a rule similar to that of the NBA that forces athletes to play at

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Left: Junior short stop Kyle Zweber connects with the ball against Winona State last Thursday, March 29. In the 9-12 high scoring loss, Zweber went 3-4 at the plate scoring one run and batting in four. Above: The home opener against Bemidji State University was called off Wednesday because of the recent heavy snowfall. Below: Junior first-baseman Andy Heieie catches a pop fly in the Bulldogs second game against Winona State. The Bulldogs won the second game on Thursday 2-1 in 11 innings.

Bulldogs going through growing pains

By Jim Salmela
Statesman Staff Reporter

•The younger players are earning a lot of playing experience on the road.

The opening of the 2007 season brought a lot of uncertainty to the UMD Bulldog baseball team.

This year's team is very young with 14 freshmen on the 31-player roster. With the cold and gloomy Duluth weather preventing the team from practicing on the actual diamond the freshmen have to get used to the fields on the road.

The younger players have had to adjust to playing in college through game experience.

"This is probably the youngest team that we've had since I've been here," said UMD baseball coach Bob Rients. "It's also a good thing because they (freshmen) bring a lot of energy. We have a lot of guys that are excited to go play no matter what time it is or how many games we've already played."

Energy was definitely needed as the Bulldogs (9-13) have been on the road all season traveling by bus.

The Bulldogs started their season traveling to Pittsburg, Kan. and Joplin, Mo.

Following that trip with a stint at the Metrodome and then their annual spring break trip to sunny Florida, they played 10 games over six days.

"Before Florida it was a concern to see how the young guys would respond," said junior shortstop Kyle Zweber. "Now we know what we can and can't do."

Traveling to Florida and playing in so many games over a short span also helped bring the team closer together and build team chemistry.

"When you play a lot of games, you get to know a lot of the guys, and it brings the team together," said junior outfielder Tony Doherty.

The Bulldogs open the North Central Conference (NCC) season against Minnesota State Mankato and Nebraska-Omaha.

Both Mankato and Omaha are considered the favorites in the NCC this year.

"We hope to start out well against Mankato and Omaha," said Zweber. "These first two weeks are huge for us."

After all of the travel and road

games in February and March, April is here, and the Bulldogs can finally start looking forward to better weather soon and playing home games.

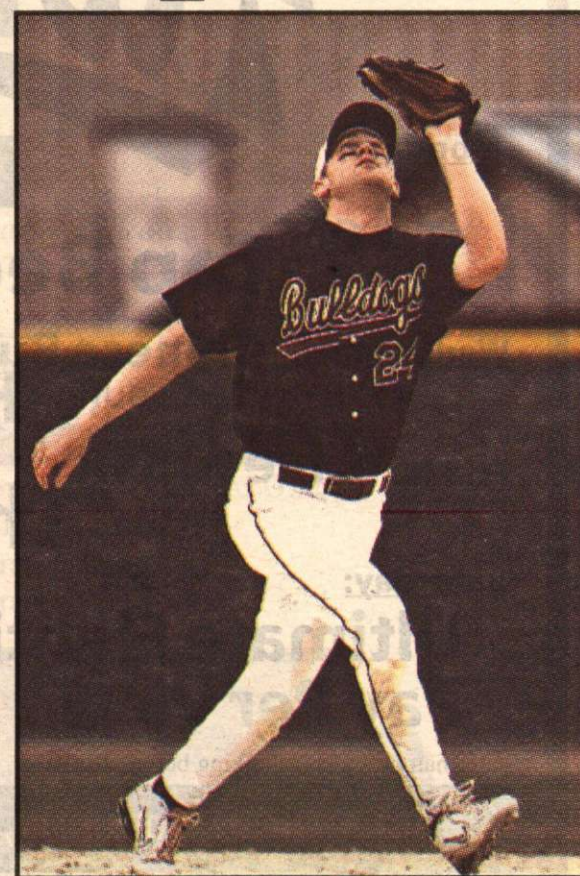
"Everyone is excited to have a home opener and get our season going on campus," said Rients. "They can see family, friends and other students will be able attend games. It's always a great situation and a lot more fun to play at home in front of people that you know."

Doherty agreed as the long wait to play at home comes to an end.

"We've had to wait a long time for this," said Doherty. "We know we don't have to go on a bus after the game, and we'll have more of our own fans here."

Although the recent weather has cancelled their double-header against Bemidji State University, the Bulldogs will look to take on Minnesota State Mankato in a four game series on Friday, April 5 at 1 p.m. and Saturday, April 6 at 12 p.m.

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